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Two Faces of IUP Athletics in the Twentieth Century

Ruth Podolski



Lester Jordan

Born With the Century

In October, 1918, Laura Yuckenberg suddenly found herself a boarding student at Indiana State Normal School. For more than a year, she had commuted to campus from her home at 468 Philadelphia Street. But now, because of the Spanish Influenza epidemic, she and the other commuters were quarantined in Sutton Hall.

by Karen Gresh



Laura Yuckenberg in her photograph in the 1919 *Instano*

In a letter that same month, Normal School faculty member Marion Spencer described the situation: "We have had grand clear weather, except for part of yesterday and today, so that it does not seem so hard to be quarantined. Over yesterday, the disease seems to have gotten a start. Eleven girls getting it yesterday. None on my hall have it but the infirmary is full of boys, and the one corridor above Chapel has been turned into a girls' ward."

By the time the quarantine was lifted, the school nurse, Mary Kelso, had become a hero. Indeed, the Class of 1919 dedicated its yearbook, the *Instano*, to her. (Marion Spencer's letter is one of many that now repose in the university library's Special Collections section.)

Miss Yuckenberg liked staying on campus, despite the circumstances. "It was fun," she said, and "nice meals" were served in the dining hall. Normally, she and the ten or twelve other girls who commuted ate their bag lunches in a small cloakroom on Sutton's first floor.

One day, in search of comfort and variety, the commuters settled themselves in the Blue Room and proceeded to dine. It wasn't long before Jane Leonard bustled in and shooed them toward the cloakroom, saying the carpet in the Blue Room had cost a dollar and a half a yard and they were getting crumbs all over it. "Everybody respected her," Miss Yuckenberg said, "but they were scared to death."

Miss Yuckenberg still lives in Indiana, a few blocks from where her home was in 1918. She has received four degrees from what is now IUP: a certificate in 1919; a diploma awarded in 1921, after she had completed two years' teaching; a bachelor's in 1932; and a master's in 1959, four years before her retirement. In April, she will be 100.

When Miss Yuckenberg was a student teacher in the Model School's fifth grade in Wilson Hall, Jimmy Stewart was one of her pupils, and Hope Stewart was her critic teacher. The latter was, Miss Yuckenberg said, very strict. One day, when Miss Yuckenberg was missing a button from her jacket, Hope Stewart would not permit her to enter the classroom.

She remembers Jennie Ackerman as less forbidding. Miss Ackerman was the head of all the critic teachers at the Model School and, according to Miss Yuckenberg, "a lovely person." Malvina Garman Riddle, another critic teacher, was also influential in Miss Yuckenberg's training, as were art teacher Jean McElhaney ("She was so patient") and Spanish professor J. Theodore Arntz.

In 1919, Miss Yuckenberg started teaching in Graceton, south of Homer City. Each



Laura Yuckenberg today



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More Special People

In honor of the university's 125th anniversary, *IUP Magazine* invited short essays about IUP people who have influenced the writers' lives. Publication of the essays, which started with the Fall, 1999, issue will continue in ensuing issues. All that arrived prior to February 1, 2000, will be published, although some may have to be edited for the sake of brevity.

An important note: *IUP Magazine* will appear only three, instead of four, times during this fiscal year. Publication of submissions for "125 Special People" will, however, continue until all have appeared—even if publication extends beyond the end of the anniversary year.

Dr. David Cook always had mandatory meetings with his students in his Leonard Hall office. I remember I nervously sat on an old wood bench outside his office before our first meeting. Our meeting concerned my interpretation of Hemingway's search for a clean well-lit place. I concluded it was not just a metaphor for a spiritual attitude, but also a code of honor. Do your best and live your life to the fullest, regardless of the obstacles. He agreed.

He asked me how I was doing in school. I told him not well. I had contemplated leaving school to work full-time in Pittsburgh. I was paying for school myself and I was running out of money. I told him I had yet to find my clean well-lit place in Indiana.

He said the search for a clean well-lit place is a lifetime pursuit. It takes discipline to succeed. If I needed money to finish school, then I would have to find work near campus. He made me promise not to quit school. He challenged me to find my code of honor and graduate on time.

I found full-time work near campus and I remained in school. He monitored my progress through school and I graduated on time. He said he was proud of me on graduation day, 1979.

I would occasionally visit him at his Leonard Hall office through the years. I always sat on the same old wood bench outside his office, waiting my turn as he met with current students. He always found time to talk to me. He always gave me a book that he wanted me to read. He often reminded me of our first meeting, and how hard I had worked to graduate on time.

I stopped by his office in 1999. I hadn't been there in three years. A new professor was occupying his office now. He said Dr. Cook had passed away last year.

I sat on the old wood bench. I remembered the first time. This would be the last time.

I told the new professor my story. He promised to keep the office a clean well-lit place.

—Jeffrey Hottel '99

When I read of *IUP Magazine's* invitation for readers to share something about the IUP person who had most influenced each reader's life, I thought of so many possibilities in my own life: fellow students, professors, and yes, my husband. And then I realized that for all of those people to have so positively influenced my life, I first had to choose to attend IUP.

Choosing IUP was actually easy for me, however, for since I had been very young, I had heard about "Indiana" from my mother, Betty Gosnell Yoe, who was a member of the Class of 1941. As she would wash and I would dry the dishes for our family of seven, there was lots of time to hear stories of her years at Indiana State Teachers College, and eventually, in my mind, "going to college" became the same thing as "going to Indiana."

While my mother's accomplishments at ISTC were many, and included a stint as editor of *The Penn*, what impressed me the most was the depth of the friendships she had formed. These were friendships with both men and women, students and professors, based on a shared love of the arts and all learning. Her scrapbooks (far more extensive than those of my own IUP years) include photos of many people whose names I heard often as I was growing up. I also came to know by name many of her professors, including Miss Ruth Knowles, with whom my mother stayed in touch until the death of Miss Knowles, many years later. Her class schedule for 1939-1940 shows instructors whose names I still see every day, on campus buildings: Dr. Uhler, Dr. Zink, Dr. Eicher, Mr. Davis, Mr. Whitmyre, and Miss Sproles.

Much more than the name of the school had changed during the thirty-one years that passed before I arrived at IUP, as a glance at the 1940-1941 Student Handbook reveals: among other regulations, radios were required to be registered in the office of the dean of women, prior to installation by the college electrician, and regular tables were assigned in the dining room, with places at the head of each table reserved for faculty and upperclassmen.

But what my mother had told me I would find, I did. I found people who loved art, music, reading, and writing as much as I did, and who wanted to share those loves with others. As I reflect upon the many positive



influences of IUP and IUP people on my existence, I am grateful to my mother for that first and early influence, which led me to IUP, and to the life I have today.

—Beth Yoe Fiddler '72

When someone asks me to describe the teacher who most affected my life, I don't hesitate to start talking about Dr. Robert Stonebraker. I often tell about his quiet leadership and calm demeanor and how I never once saw him get upset. I am unable to imagine this gentle man even raising his voice. To me, he embodies what makes teaching such a worthwhile profession. He is committed to his subject and allows students to explore how economics impacts their lives.

Dr. Stonebraker always had his office door open for me and patiently explained concepts so that I could better understand the relationship of economics to life. Most important, he was someone who listened to what I had to say and guided me to find my own answers. I left his class with the confidence that I could do things that I once thought impossible. By teaching me that the only person who could hold me back was myself, he gave me a gift far beyond the scope of supply and demand or price elasticity.

Dr. Stonebraker is not the type of person who would search out recognition but is someone who most deserves it. I am honored to have the chance to let the IUP community know how special he truly is.

—Cynthia Shunlas Fleming '95

Right up there as one of the best days of my life is a warm August evening in Indiana, Pennsylvania. That's when I met three of my closest, dearest friends.

We were the new editorial department of *The Penn*, the "independent student voice of Indiana University of Pennsylvania," as our masthead proclaimed. I was their not-quite-fearless leader, the editor-in-chief, and they were Linda Chiraluna (now Andreassi), Tom Charles, and John "Gus" Gaworek, two with the news department and one in sports. I had hired them, along with six others, a semester before to become the newspaper's staff for the 1992-93 school year.

I didn't know any of them well. All juniors, we had some classes together or ran into each other around campus and uptown, where the bars are.

I knew Tom slightly through reputation, so when I saw him uptown one night, I asked him to apply for the assistant news editor's job. Gus was picked because he was the only one who applied to run the sports depart-

ment. Linda, while she seemed qualified for the news editor spot, worried me because she was literally a beauty queen, in the running for Miss Butler County. I had some preconceived notion—a negative one—about her intellect.

At the time, *The Penn* was the largest student newspaper in the fourteen universities in the State System of Higher Education and around the fourth largest in Pennsylvania.

The staff had to arrive on campus about two weeks before classes started so we could get the registration issue—all seventy-two pages of it—done and printed before the fall semester started. (Throughout the semester, we printed an eighteen-page paper three times a week. Sometimes, we went to class.)

Because the residence halls weren't yet open and I lived off campus, Linda stayed with me while we finished the registration issue. I was nervous; I wasn't sure how we'd get along.

I needn't have worried. The first night in Indiana,

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Betty Gosnell Yoe, center, with Alice Stockberger '43, left, and Gwen Cramer Griffith '42, right, on the steps near McElhaney Hall





Barry Reeger

The Queen of Hearts

By Bob Fulton

Joanne Dobrzanski leads a singular double life.

During the week she works as executive director of Family Connections, a group home in Weirton, W.Va. On weekends, she goes undercover as Jo Goodman, award-winning romance author.

And, like a double agent, Dobrzanski keeps her dual identity under wraps.

"Most people don't know I do this," says the 1975 IUP grad. "It's not something I bring up in conversation."

On Saturday and Sunday mornings, while others are still lost in slumber, the Queen of Hearts settles in front of her computer and draws up characters and plots that captivate readers throughout the world. The language of love becomes the languages of love in Dobrzanski's hands: Her nineteen novels have been translated into Russian, Chinese, Italian, Norwegian, Dutch, and Spanish. Total sales exceed two million copies.

Dobrzanski has drawn plaudits as well as royalties for her work. She won the 1994 National Readers' Choice Award with *Forever in My Heart*, was nominated in the Best Historical Romance category in 1996 for *Only in My Arms*, and was honored by *Romantic Times* magazine in 1999 as Historical Storyteller of the Year.

Dobrzanski also won a *Romantic Times* award for her debut novel, *Passion's Bride*, since reissued as *The Captain's Lady*.

If she appears bemused by all the accolades, understand that Dobrzanski—Polish for good man, hence her nom de plume—never envisioned such acclaim. Fact is, she never even envisioned a writing career. Dobrzanski fancied herself a budding Jacques Cousteau when she arrived at IUP.

"I was going to be a marine biologist. That's what I really wanted to do," says Dobrzanski. "So I wound up taking these summer courses down at Wallops Island in Virginia. Well, I found out I got desperately seasick. I spent my time on the research vessels leaning over the side, throwing up my cookies."

All the signs seemed to suggest her future in biology was doomed, but Dobrzanski blithely marched forward, to the consternation of William Dietrich, her advisor.

"Dr. Dietrich, God bless him, tried to convince me to get out, but I was so stubborn," Dobrzanski recalls. "I didn't want to change my major, so I just stuck with it. I remember he handed me my diploma at graduation and said, 'So, you really made it.' " Dobrzanski detected a hint of surprise in his voice.

What's really surprising, given her success as a novelist, is that Dobrzanski's writing experience at IUP was limited to course work, primarily in English classes. That's where she was "discovered." Positive feedback from professors Richard Ray, John Freund, and Joseph Krupnik planted a seed that has since blossomed into a flourishing career.

"I guess they saw something in my writing and they would comment on it," Dobrzanski says. "That was neat, because it kind of encouraged me. But I don't think they ever thought I was going to do anything with my writing. I didn't think I was going to do anything with it back then."

Dobrzanski took her first halting steps toward a double life several years after graduation when she began writing on her lunch break.

"I had read some romances, and I thought, well, this might be something that I could do," Dobrzanski recalls. "So, I thought I'd try it. One day I brought a typewriter down to the lunchroom. A bunch of my coworkers were sitting around the table. They said, 'What are you going to do?' I said, 'I'm going to write a book.' And, nobody laughed. I thought, OK, maybe they know something I don't."

The author whose career was launched in a lunchroom now sates the appetites of romance readers throughout the world. That's not to suggest Dobrzanski found immediate success as a writer. Far from it. Her first manuscript was so uninspired it "will never see the light of day," she says with a hearty laugh. Even *Passion's Bride*, Dobrzanski's breakthrough novel, was rejected for five years by publishing houses. Disheartened

by a succession of form letters bearing bad news, she was about to hoist a white flag and pack away her typewriter. Then Dobrzanski experienced an epiphany of sorts while counseling a young boy.

"Sometimes, when you work with kids, you hear things come out of your mouth that you're telling them they need to do, and you realize you're not doing them in your own life, and you feel like such a fraud," she says. "I remember he was very discouraged about not completing the program yet and getting to go back with his family. I was telling him, 'You can't give up. You have to keep trying.' I kind of heard myself say that—I'd just gotten a rejection a couple days before—and I realized I had no choice. I had to keep sending it out, because I'd be such a liar if I didn't."

One of Dobrzanski's most memorable Christmas presents was the news in December, 1983, that *Passion's Bride* had been accepted for publication. Eighteen books have followed, and another is due for April release. That's a fairly prolific output, given that Dobrzanski confines her writing to weekends, usually during the fall and winter months. She spends most of the day at her computer, oblivious to sunrise, sunset, and most everything in between.

"I write from about 6 a.m. to about 4 o'clock," Dobrzanski says. "I give myself a number of pages I have to do. I stay there until I finish, because that stubborn streak hasn't left me. But it really does work for me."

There's only one drawback: Dobrzanski gets so wrapped up in her work that anyone who dares interrupt with a telephone call risks her wrath.

"My friends and family know not to call me until after 6 p.m. That way, they're sure I'm done," she says. "When people call before that—oh, it's ugly. I've been told I have the ability to tear a strip of skin off the caller just by saying hello."

Yes, the same Queen of Hearts who can cast

Another Dream

For Karen Cercone, writing is just another way to flex her teaching muscles.

The IUP geoscience professor teaches her readers about science and scientists through her *Star Trek* novels and history through her series of historical mysteries.

She has co-written some eleven *Star Trek* novels with fellow writer Julia Ecklar under the name L.A. Graf. The name stands for "Let's All Get Rich and Famous" and was the name of a writers' group to which the two authors belonged. Their first *Star Trek* novel came out in 1990.

The two authors have split the writing by dividing up the characters.

Cercone takes the scientists. "I want to have a really positive portrayal of science and show scientists are human beings using this technique to solve problems," said Cercone. "I want my scientists to be the heroes and the role models. I have a lot of women scientists."

She prefers plots that have realistic moorings in science as we know it yet stretch the imagination toward science as we can only dream it. She feels science fiction plays an important role in helping scientists consider possibilities. It's a concept she explores in a class she teaches at IUP called Science and Science Fiction.

Though Cercone, a Trafford resident, doesn't use her *Star Trek* novels in her classes for ethical reasons, her historical mysteries have been used as college texts

by professors at distant colleges. Her series of historical mysteries, all based around turn-of-the-century industries, began with *Steel Ashes*, which she started in 1993 and which came out in 1997. Since then, she's written *Blood Tracks*, which focused on the railroads, and *Coal Bones*. The sole author of the books, Cercone is now working on the next one in the series, *Glass Coffin*.

One way she has fun with her writing is to incorporate the names of people she knows. Several IUP faculty members and many students are named in the *Star Trek* novels, with their permission. Others are on the pages of her mysteries.

"Some get killed off heroically," she said. "In *Fire Storm*, every undergraduate student in the department was killed off. They were down on the planet when the volcano erupted."

Cercone and Ecklar, who also has a home in Trafford, are co-writing another *Star Trek* novel, which is taking shape under the working title *Forward the Frontier*. It will be part of *Star Trek's* New Earth series.

—Barbara McNeil



John Bender

a spell with her words can also use them as daggers, with telling effect. It's a contradiction befitting an individual who leads a double life. A life, incidentally, marked by the kind of ironic twist you might find in one of Dobrzanski's novels.

The budding biologist who had hoped to sail the globe was doomed by seasickness to life as a landlubber. Not that Joanne Dobrzanski harbors any regrets today. She might not travel the world, but there's one comforting consolation. Her books do. 🐉



eric Maier did not expect to gain enlightenment from a Gatorade sports drink commercial, yet what he heard went straight to his soul.

He remembers two-time Heisman Trophy winner Archie Griffin, a former NFL running back, telling viewers "It's not the size of the dog in the fight ... it's the size of the fight in the dog."

Maier, a senior from Reading, was living by those words long before he heard them.

The fight in him is not the kind that plows an opponent down on the football field. It is the kind that gives the wheelchair-bound senior the courage to compete for Mr. IUP and the charisma and charm to win. It is the kind of fight that allows him to make the uncomfortable, tiring climb up the bleachers to the football stadium press box with legs disabled by cerebral palsy. It's the only way he can get up there to do the play-by-play broadcast for WIUP-FM, and he's not about to let that chance get away.

It's fitting he takes life-defining words of wisdom from the comments of a sports figure. Maier hopes to be a sports broadcaster and is the sports director for WIUP-FM, a position he also held the past two years. He does the play-by-play broadcast coverage for IUP football games and IUP men's basketball games. He is also the public address announcer at the women's home basketball games.

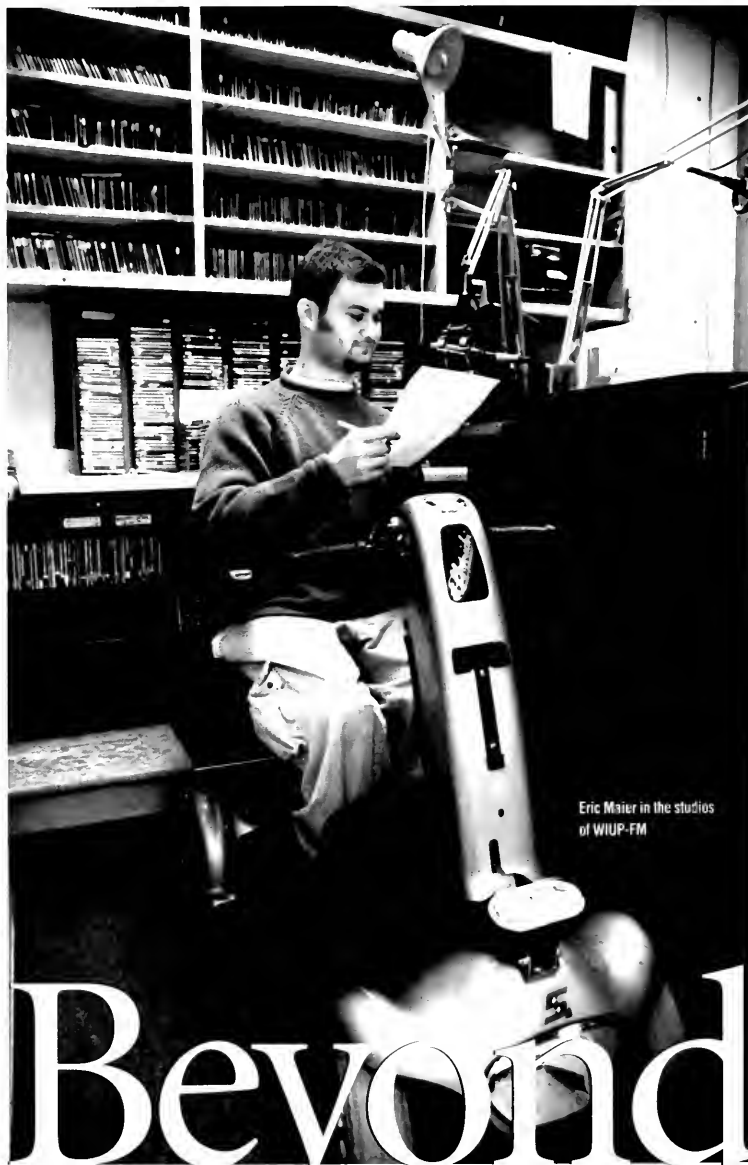
His love of sports is evident when you listen to him on the radio, said Gail Wilson, associate professor in the communications media department and faculty advisor for the radio station.

"He has a terrific knowledge of sports, and it really shows in the broadcast," she said.

Maier, a journalism major with a minor in communications media, has completed an internship at WEEU-AM, a radio station in Reading, where he read sports stories, wrote some news, announced the play-by-play for a softball game, and learned about on-air tasks.

"I knew what I wanted to do real early," he said. "I grew up watching the sports, and I thought if I can't play it, I want to be a part of it."

In high school, Maier wrote a sports column for the school newspaper and began announcing the action over the public address system during sporting events.



Eric Maier in the studios of WIUP-FM

Beyond

Though he played trumpet and French horn in his high school marching band, his interest was in football rather than the half-time show.

"I did it so I wouldn't miss a game," he said.

Maier said he was born with cerebral palsy because the umbilical cord was wrapped around his neck just prior to his birth. As a result, the muscles in all four of his limbs are always tight. Though he can walk for short distances, he usually gets around using a motorized four-wheeled scooter.

"I make the best of what I've got," he said. "It's what you make of what you've got that makes you who you are, that defines you."

For the sportswear portion of the Mr. IUP contest, he taped skis onto his scooter to make it look like a snowmobile and pulled a girl around on a sled behind him. He spilled her off on a sharp curve and pretended not to notice to get the audience to react. A major element of the contest, he said, is playing to the crowd.

"I knew what I wanted to do real early," he said. "I grew up watching the sports, and I thought if I can't play it,

"Like radio, it's all about entertaining," he said. "Why not play it up and have a good time about it? Why waste my time being depressed about things you can't change? It's difficult for me because I'm in the social setting where it's not so conducive to being disabled."

Even his misfortunes he directs into something positive. For the talent portion of the Mr. IUP contest, Maier sang a blues song he has written about his experiences. He sang six of the 25 verses he has penned since high school, some so personal that he carries them folded in his wallet. Some funny, all sincere, the

verses speak mostly of loves that never were. To set the mood for his song at the Mr. IUP Pageant, he wore a gray pinstripe suit and a "gangster" hat and set up a bar scene with people at a table.

Though he put a lot of thought and effort into the pageant, he didn't go into it expecting to win. He just wanted to give being on stage a try.

"I know after Mr. IUP there were people saying, 'He just got it because he's in a wheelchair,'" he said. "I know there are people like that. ... It's their problem, not mine."

He describes his approach as almost fitting in by standing out. "I love people staring at me. I'll say, 'Hey Buddy, what's up?' or wink at them," he said.

In elementary school, he had an aide to help him with everyday problems like opening doors.

"Now, if I need somebody to open a door for me, I ask some good-looking girl," he said. "Who's not going to open a door for me?"

I want to
be a part
of it."

He admits he'll sometimes slip into a feeling of "why me?" but he doesn't let it last long.

"I'm lucky," he said. "I could be so much worse off than I am. There are physical limitations I have that I can't change, but I don't have any mental limitations. There's nobody with a big hand keeping you down, not letting you go up and talk to people. Everybody should be comfortable enough with themselves to say 'this is me.' If you're really honest with yourself and who you are, people are going to like you for that, no matter what." ~



the Books

By Marilyn Kukula

More Special People continued

Linda and I talked for hours, sitting on the porch of the slightly dilapidated Philadelphia Street house my roommates and I had rented. We instantly became the best of friends, sharing stories and secrets from that day forward.

Gus and Tom became our "token males," accompanying Linda and me not only to work, but to class, to campus programs, to off-campus, er, "events." I remember our celebrating the election of Bill Clinton and arguing over the handling of a student suicide. We dealt with Tom's clumsiness, my evolving management skills, Linda's beauty contests, and Gus's dismay at the Buffalo Bills' Super Bowl losses. We had T-shirts made, declaring "The Penn is mightier than the sword." I love that shirt.

Whenever anyone asks me if going away to college was worth the thousands I spent—after all, I'm back in my hometown working at the same place I got my journalistic start while in high school—I think of Linda, Tom, Gus, and others, including my many roommates and classmates. Each one taught me something. While I'm pretty sure I wouldn't be as successful professionally without my college education, I'm certain my life wouldn't be as full of love and laughter.

—Janet Sheaffer Pickel '93 is editor of the *Press and Journal*, a weekly newspaper in Middletown.

It's been nine long years since I've seen him, due to his untimely death in 1991, but not an hour goes by that I don't think of Ron, my twin, best friend, and IUP roommate!

Despite my spastic nature and type A traits, Ron was my calming, steady influence at IUP (as always) and found a way to assist me in "chilling out, putting things into perspective, and enjoying the experience."

The IUP times that the two of us, our families, and our buddies shared will always bring a smile to my face and a warm feeling in my heart.

The inner peace of always knowing that my partner was there for me through classes, missing Mom and Dad, dormitory pranks, walks to Foster cafeteria, homecomings, hogging the hot water in the shower, wanting privacy in the room, intramural sports, gigs, partying, etc., was awesome!

I thank God for blessing me with such a warm, kind, caring, fun, good-natured brother and roommate and thank IUP for more precious memories to cherish!

—Bill Ramsey '83

Mindee McGeary

It is with amused irony that I submit this story of IUP life with my erstwhile friend, Mindee McGeary, for your quasiquicentennial celebration. It was during IUP's Centennial in 1975 that our collegiate life was peaking. We were both members of the Class of 1977. Even though we both transferred to and graduated from other colleges, my memories of Indiana were immeasurably enhanced by having known her. From the first time we met in freshman year, we had a nagging sense of déjà vu. We felt we had met before but couldn't see how, considering that our families lived eighty miles apart. Eventually we did discover the link—a slumber party six years earlier at a mutual friend's house.

Mindee influenced my life in several ways, but most enduring was that she taught me everything she knew about the identification of makes and models of cars. This was no small amount of information. Her tutorial occurred whenever we sat on the front porch of the house I lived in at 1100 Oakland Avenue. This was a major intersection of campus, directly across from the Oak Grove (I have heard this is now the site of a Taco Bell!). The steady stream of traffic made for some fun afternoons on the porch. Our finest car-enthusiast moment was when we saw (and correctly identified) a gull-wing Bricklin. Her knowledge of cars was made even more remarkable by the fact that she didn't have a driver's license!

After Indiana, we kept in touch and attended each other's wedding. Regrettably, we fell out of touch after the mid-80s. Although I haven't been able to find her current address, I would love to hear from her. I can still hear her say, "But, of course!" in the exaggerated British accent we affected when imitating Monty Python's *The Holy Grail*. She has had an enduring impact on me as one of the classiest and funniest people I've ever known.

—Rebecca Heim Fonzone '77

Mary "Peggy" Hart

We met as girls at Camp Wesco. Even then, "Peggy" Jones (Hart) had a strength of character beyond her years. Nothing daunted her. My father enjoyed Peggy's sense of humor and likened her voice to that of Gracie Fields, an actress I barely remembered from old movies.

We soon became Senior Girl Scouts and began to study flying as part of our badge program. As I attempted to learn the planes we were supposed to be spotting, she went on to become a major in the Air National Guard. I only knew she went to the airport



Ron Ramsey, right, with his brother, Bill



every Saturday, for she never mentioned her achievements. But I was convinced I would have to try harder to keep up with her.

Peggy decided one summer to become a camp nurse in New York. This forced me to accept the challenge, so the following summer I became a counselor, too, at Camp Andree in Pleasantville, N.Y., and later at a camp in Newburgh after attending the national Girl Scout training camp at Edith Macy. We both enjoyed the fellowship of girls from all over the world and spent weekends at Camp Wesco in New York with our new friends.

In 1965, Peggy became a nursing instructor at Indiana after I had graduated and began to teach in New Jersey. She had no children so began to adopt the four orphans she loved. Every time I returned to Greensburg I was updated on their progress. There were also fifteen foster children I met from time to time.

She had built a small house at the foot of the Chestnut Ridge, moving her mother, father, and aunt there as they became elderly. All of the children, adopted and borrowed, were happy and successful. She had tried to instill in all of her children her own faith and devotion to the church. Peggy was also helping to raise her grandchildren by baby sitting on a daily basis after her retirement in 1990.

When my friend was selected as Professor Emerita at Indiana, I begged to accompany her to the ceremony and dinner afterwards. It was the one recognition I knew of that she had received. And I felt that it was my one chance to feel part of a ceremony where scholarship was a primary requisite for selection. I had never had an opportunity to wear a cap and gown for my academic achievements after graduation from Indiana, but I knew I was not the person Peggy had become. (My only contribution to the cause to which Peggy had dedicated herself—interacial integration—was to work for the teachers of Camden, N.J., as a secretary for eight years after my retirement.) But to sing the Alma Mater again at the program, held on a perfect fall day in the football stadium at Indiana, filled me with pride in what we had both accomplished, although it might be considered unimpressive by some standards.

The last time I returned to Greensburg, I learned that my bright, funny, cheerful friend had finally found rest. Her health had been deteriorating, although she never admitted this. Finally, all her long years of self-sacrifice were at an end. Now I can no longer hear her amusing voice greet me in her own inimitable way. But I will never forget the years I spent knowing we could always telephone or arrive unannounced for encouragement and understanding. And surely she is finally in a place where her good works will be recognized.

—Dale Westover McCauley '48

Words of Thanks

by President Lawrence K. Pettit

Every job has rewards, but few jobs have rewards so long delayed as teaching. Sometimes, it is years or decades before we remember to thank a teacher who has exerted great influence in our lives. Sometimes, we think about it but never do it, and sometimes, when we finally do go out of our way to express our gratitude, it is too late.

This came to mind last fall, when scores of her former students and colleagues gathered at my invitation to honor Lois Blair on the occasion of her ninetieth birthday. As an English teacher at Keith School from 1946 to 1961 and as director of professional laboratory experiences at IUP until her retirement ten years later, Lois touched the lives of hundreds of students at both the secondary and college levels. Hearing the tributes paid to her that evening touched me deeply. I was glad not only

for Lois but for those who had the opportunity to thank her.

As part of its celebration of the university's 125th anniversary year, *IUP Magazine* is publishing a series of reader-written profiles of the university's "Special People." Many of these involve former professors, and many are quite poignant. To me, there is something most appropriate about marking an anniversary by celebrating the lives of those who have played major roles in the lives of others.

Now, as we greet a new century and a new millennium, perhaps each of us can look back on the path we have taken. Let us remember for a moment the helping hands that reached out to us as we walked that path. Let us, if it is possible, thank the people who made our way smooth. If it is too late to thank them, let us resolve to make the road smoother for the younger travelers who tread the path after us.



Keith Fowler



Kevin
Eisensmith
'78

A Permanent Stamp in Time

While Americans across the country sat down to family picnics over last Labor Day weekend, music was being preserved.

Forty alumni musicians and an assortment of IUP faculty members gathered in Fisher Auditorium to record the ninth commercial release of the Keystone Wind Ensemble.

The group's main focus, according to director and founder Jack Stamp '76, an IUP music faculty member, is to record American wind band music that has been neglected in recorded form.

"Much of the music we record was the mainstay of the literature from the 1960s to the 1980s," he said. "However, the level of high school bands has fallen off, and many of these works and composers have been forgotten. It's our mission to preserve this music by creating a commercial recording that might resurrect these pieces."

"As an alumnus, I take great pride in the

accomplishments of the individuals of this group, many of whom are either former teachers, former fellow students (my peers) or now my students," said Kevin Eisensmith '78, a trumpet instructor. "As a faculty member, I am also proud that my school is making this type of contribution; that is, adding to the significant recorded repertoire of the concert band. These recordings are our way of making a contribution to our field—entertainment, educational, and historical...Having recorded professionally, I can tell you that recording an entire CD in two and a half days is no easy feat!"

"The musicians come to record because of their love of music, performing, and IUP," Stamp said. "It's like a mini-homecoming."

Awards

Fulbright Award

To Biology Professor Michael Kesner, who is using the award to study the evolutionary ecology of mice in Zimbabwe. Kesner is IUP's fiftieth Fulbright Award winner.

1999 Alumni Ambassadorships

Presented to the following recent alumni, who spoke to students in their respective colleges during Homecoming weekend:

- ✦ College of Health and Human Services, Samuel Cheuvront '94, M'96, a Registered Dietitian and graduate teaching assistant at Florida State University
- ✦ College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Harry Holt '93, global healthcare consultant for Ernst and Young in Cleveland
- ✦ College of Education, Lorene Ratay Patten '92, instructional systems designer and project manager for Interactive Media Corporation in Butler, Pa.
- ✦ College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Everett Pesci '86, M'90, assistant professor in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology at East Carolina University School of Medicine

Postpartum Support International's 1999 Support Service Award

To Anthropology Professor Laurence Kruckman and Indiana Hospital, in recognition of joint programming in postpartum support and other perinatal education programs

1999 Bellringer Awards

Presented by the Indiana County Chapter of the IUP Alumni Association in recognition of distinguished undergraduate achievement to Leann Chaney '99 and Chad Stacy '99

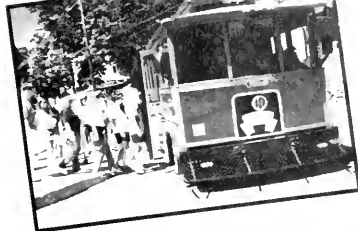
1999 National Council of Mortar Board Excellence Award

To IUP's chapter of Mortar Board, an international honor society

Rethinking Orientation

By Marilyn Kukula

If a candidate for a job arrives at the interview late and looking sloppy, he or she is unlikely to get the job. First impressions mean a lot.



That's why orientation for freshmen and transfer students has to be a smooth-running, welcoming process, said Sherry Kuckuck, IUP's director of student development programs.

Over the past twenty years, orientation activities have expanded and changed to help students adjust to university life. In the early 1970s, students were introduced to IUP with welcome week activities during the week before fall classes to help them get to know other students and the campus layout.

In the 1980s, a summer orientation program was added for students and their parents. It smoothed the transition from high school to college with skill testing in academic areas and guidance on scheduling. At that time, students could list the classes they would prefer to take in the fall.

About a year ago, the system got better again. Beginning in the summer of 1998, freshmen and transfer students could schedule their fall classes and order their books during the two-day summer orientation. Long before the new students arrived in the fall, they knew their class schedules.

In the summer of 1999, something new was added: the College Undergraduate Success

Program was offered to a pilot group of 150 new students. The three-day, one-credit course started about a week before fall classes began, just prior to the welcome week activities that have continued since the 1970s. The course will be expanded to four days this summer.

"People recognize that the first year in a new environment is critical," said Kuckuck. "All these new additions are ways to ease that entry process and equip new students with the skills and information they need."

Though there have been several changes in the system, one thing has remained constant. Upperclassmen help new students.

One of those upperclassmen is Jodi Lewis of Honesdale, who graduated in December.

She became involved her sophomore year after seeing a flyer that sought orientation leaders. The following fall, she was among more than a hundred students who helped freshmen from move-in day on Sunday until Tuesday, the day before classes start.

Each student orientation leader chooses four or five activities. Some become tour guides on trolley rides through Indiana, while others help with

picnics, pizza parties, midnight basketball games, and about twenty other events.

"New students are not required to go, so we never know how many students will be at any activity," said Lewis. "That's why we really need coverage on everything."

The fall student orientation leaders are volunteers who train for one day before the activities begin. Students who help with the summer orientation, however, are paid.

Though a freshman and his or her parents are only involved in the summer program for two days, upperclassmen helping with the program, known as peer advisors, spend six weeks working with two groups each week.

Lewis, in addition to helping with fall orientation, worked as a peer advisor in the summer. In this role, she set up a question-and-answer panel that gave parents the chance to ask upperclassmen about campus life. She and a few other students fielded questions from hundred of parents throughout the summer.

1999 Distinguished Family Business Awards

Presented by the IUP Center for Family Business to the *Indiana Gazette* and Benzel's Pretzel Bakery of Altoona

Changes

Membership of the IUP Alumni Association Executive Board has changed.

New officers are William Gonda '84, former vice president who now serves as president; Kevin Abbott '78, former treasurer who now serves as vice

president; Anna Marie Ginocchi Enders '77, who continues as secretary; and Lawrence Claus '76, who now serves as treasurer. Gonda, who was elected to another four-year term on the board, replaces William Shipley '75 as president. Other new board members are David Gildea '78, David Reddecliff '82, David Mawhinney '86, and Howard Russell '89.

Letters



Soccer's Very First Coach

Kudos on the article "Too Good to Be True" by Bob Fulton in the Fall, 1999, issue. As a student at Keith Lab School from 1940-41 through 1942-43, as well as attending ISTC following WWII, I had the privilege and pleasure of knowing George Miller for a number of years. I agree with everything that his former players and colleagues say about him.

In the story, it was mentioned that Ray Bernabei was the school's first soccer coach. I played varsity soccer during the first years of the team and seem to remember that a Dr. Ritter was the first coach, being followed by Bernabei. Could I be correct, or is my memory playing tricks on me? (They say memory is the first thing to go.)

Walter Winters '52
Imperial, Pa.

Coach Miller Remembered

Your tribute to Coach George Miller brings back many memories of my years at ISTC. Coach Miller was a man that everyone respected and admired. My association with him was not through the major sports but through Intramural Sports. In my sophomore year I was the intramural manager and got to know Coach Miller and Assistant Coach Earl Prugh on a very informal basis. Any father would have been proud and happy to know that his son would be under the tutelage of Coach Miller.

It is these thoughts and remembrances that take me back 50+ years. I was not surprised to read how many of his former athletes still remember and admire him.

My sincere thanks for the tribute to Coach Miller.

Orest Zorena '42
Venice, Fla.

Mascot vs. Nickname

I am a 1972 graduate of IUP and read President Pettit's commentary concerning IUP's nickname ("Indians") and new mascot (a bear) in the Fall, 1999, issue of *IUP Magazine*.

Dr. Pettit mentions several universities and professional sports teams with differentiated nicknames and mascots. I want to bring another example to your attention to add to your list. After graduation from IUP, I graduated from Georgetown University Law School (L76). My "other alma mater" also has a differentiated nickname ("Hoyas"-"Hoya Saxa") and mascot (a bulldog). In Georgetown's case, the need probably arises since it is nearly impossible to even articulate what the Native American expression Hoya Saxa means, much less devise a plausible, marketable mascot to represent it. So, a bulldog does well enough.

As an aside, another IUP graduate, Marty Jaron '72, is one of my partners in the D.C. office of our firm, and I have been doing some sports-related legal work with IUP Hall of Famer and former Pittsburgh Steeler Dave Smith '70.

In conclusion, while reasonable people can (and do) differ about retaining the "Indian" nickname, IUP is not alone in employing a nickname different from the mascot.

Andrew Stephenson '72
Washington, D.C.

Identity Crisis

The few schools that Dr. Lawrence Pettit named with dual images do not have identity problems (Army and Navy). Those that had Native American nicknames either made a complete change to another name (Miami of Ohio to "Redhawks") or selected a name closely tied to Native Americans (William and

Mary to "The Tribe").

My alma mater will, unfortunately, always be confused with the other "Indiana." Native Americans won't feel better about the Indian name remaining and a bear mascot named "Cherokee." And not mentioned in Dr. Pettit's article is the confusion as to the school colors: maroon and slate, crimson and gray, or crimson and white?

It is too bad that IUP did not become Western Pennsylvania State University in 1965 when the school colors were maroon and slate and there was no doubt as to the mascot and nickname. Maybe with more of an identity (stand alone school name and permanent colors) the eventual change of mascot/nickname would have been easier and more appropriate.

Larry Buckwalter '68
Delmont, Pa.

Never Too Late

What a great surprise to see my picture on the cover of your special 125th anniversary issue. Let me tell you my story.

Fifty years ago in the 75th Diamond Jubilee anniversary issue of the yearbook, I was so disappointed to see that the only cheerleader picture in the entire yearbook did not show my face.

Fifty years later (and I am sure it is pure coincidence), the Diamond Jubilee Queen, Marilyn Weaver, appears on the cover of the 125th issue as the cheerleader without a face.

Life is good! Go, Indians!

Marilyn Weaver Haack '51
Diamond Jubilee Queen and
Cheerleader
Pittsburgh

Lost Thoughts

I have just finished browsing the Fall issue. It is always interesting to

read about an institution that played a significant role in one's life. At 67, I'm to the stage where the death list is of more interest than the birth list!

We didn't all make the dean's list, but this other one is a certainty. Urge alums to add to their wills a list of people and publications to be notified. It also would be good to give permission to list cause of death. Don't you agree?

An 84-year-old friend, with no relatives in Hawaii, "passed away" in August. She had her papers so well organized that the three of us who were a family substitute had few problems. She had even written her own obituary.

Thanks for all you do to help keep us connected to IUP. Aloha!

Sylvia Kemp Mitchell '54
Honolulu, Hawaii

Classnotes

20s

DuBois, Pa., resident
Dorothy Black '25
celebrated her ninety-fifth birthday last summer.

40s

From Cookeville, Tenn.,
Louise Overly Culp '49
writes that she and her husband, Frederick, have two children and five grandchildren, enjoy life, and travel.

Camille Rapp Cambier '49 and **Dennis Cambier '49**, who live in Industry, Pa., celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at Lake Tahoe with their children last year.

The inventor of the graphite calorimeter and the water calorimeter, **Steve Domen '49**, who received an honorary doctorate from IUP in 1981, writes that his work was included in volumes written in recognition of the most important advances in radiation physics in the twentieth century.

50s

Julianne Addis Biehl '52, a Dallas artist, over the last two years has had solo

shows at Williamsburg, Va. and various galleries in Texas. Her work appears in U.S., German, and Swiss galleries.

Branch manager of the Liliha Public Library, **Sylvia Kemp Mitchell '54** of Honolulu says she hopes to set the record as the oldest working librarian in Hawaii.

After forty-two years of teaching music in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Kentucky, **Deane Lauffer '55** continues to teach privately in Otto, N.C., where he lives with his wife, Elizabeth. He writes that he was the founder of the instrumental music program and a touring chorus group at a private Christian school in Kentucky.

Retired chairman and CEO of Cleveland-Cliffs, Inc., **Thomas Moore '56** received the Rand Merit Medal for Outstanding Business Achievement from the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers. He lives in Naples, Fla.

Retired after twenty years of substitute teaching in Ohio and Wisconsin, **Beverly Hull Craig '58** lives in Appleton, Wis., with her husband, Nelson.

60s

Habitat for Humanity in Greeley, Colo., has chosen **Ken Humphrey '62** as its new executive director.

Bedford ("B.J.") Silvey '62 recently retired from Navy civil service. He and his wife, Marilyn, are busy with various professional and civic groups in Reston, Va.

Carol Stump Beckman '63 is retired from the faculty of Gallaudet University and lives in Arlington, Va.

After teaching for twenty-one years in the Shaler Area School District, **Lucille Consolero Braun '63** has retired. She and her husband, Ed, plan to travel to Australia, New Zealand, and the Fiji Islands next fall.

James Zaranek '66 and his wife, Betsy, have relocated to Cape Cod, so that Jim could take a new position as IS manager for DT Sencorp.

President of Husqvarna North America, **David Zerfoss '67** has been elected chairman of the Outdoor Power Equipment Institution.

According to **Gary Beuke '69**, several alumni gathered for a luncheon recently in Delmont, Pa. In addition to

Gary, they included **David Bagaley '69**, **Paul Wilson '69**, **Phyllis Britton Bagaley '70**, **Tom Henchar '70**, **Dennis Presseau '70**, and **Jack Leonard '71** and his wife, Barbara.

According to his son, **Chris Rossetti '98**, **Dominic Rossetti '69** retired from teaching history at Elizabeth Forward High School near Pittsburgh.

70s

Kathleen Willie Chamberlain '70 of Towanda, Pa., has joined the education faculty of Lycoming College.

Phoenix resident **Melinda Campbell Rudibaugh '70** was reelected chair of the science and mathematics department at Chandler-Gilbert Community College.

Now a resident of Akron, Ohio, **Charles Taormina '70** was been listed in the 1999 edition of *Who's Who in the World* and in *England's Outstanding People of the Twentieth Century*. His books and short stories are available to download from two different websites.

Harriet Bachner '72 is a senior lecturer in psychology at Our Lady of the Lake University and at the University of Texas at Dallas.

At Radford University in Virginia, **Joe Flory O'72** is the new director of international education.

In a new position, **Patricia Fisher Vido '72** is development director of the Keystone Tall Tree Girl Scout Council in Kittanning, Pa.

Robert Young '73 has been appointed finance director of Forbes Regional Health System in Pittsburgh.

Bill ("Crofty") Croft '74, **Michael Bennis '75**, and **Janet Rocco '75** rang in the new year together in Las Vegas—with Barbra Streisand and Friends.

Durham, N.C., resident **Diane Shuda Spangler '74** is resident of the United States Tennis Association National Officials Council.

At Westminster College in New Wilmington, Pa., **Janet Boucek Waugaman '75** has been named assistant director of the career center.

Douglas Cambier '76 has been named chief of staff at Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital in California. He and his

wife, **Jan Neal Cambier '76** have three children, Alissa, Justin, and Timothy.

Joanne Cecchi '76 is the new assistant superintendent of the New Kensington-Arnold School District in New Kensington, Pa.

Employed as a marketing consultant with Pennsylvania Power and Light since 1998, **Karen Carbone Berger '77** has been promoted to human resources training and development specialist. Karen lives in Allentown with her two children.

Shady Side Academy French and Spanish teacher **Theresa Vosko Haas '77** visited Japan last year as part of a Fulbright Memorial Fund Scholarship. The Squirrel Hill resident sings in the Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh and serves as president of the Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese.

After accepting a computer specialist position at the Detroit Computing Center, **Linda McCabe Ricklefs '77** relocated to Waterford, Mich., with her

and completed his surgical foot and ankle residence in Boston. He and his wife, Carol, live in Nashua, N.H., and have three children, Amber, Angela, and Cameron.

Muskingum College volleyball coach **Bea Zicha '78** recently reached her four hundredth win for a record of 401-157.

Louis Greci '79 has been promoted to branch manager of Marmion/Keystone's East Butler, Pa., service center.

80s

Fellow alumni may have recognized **Beth Klingenberg Anthony '80** and her family, on television at Christmastime. The Anthonys, who live in Charleston, S.C., were one of five families featured on CBS's *Home for the Holidays* special, a prime time program that promoted adoption. Wrote Beth, the program featured many celebrities who participated "to promote adoption of kids lost in the foster care



Keith Boyer

Grand Marshals: Grand marshals for last fall's Homecoming Parade were three members of the Class of 1949. Robert Warren, left, Peggy McHenry Lepley-Hermann, and Samuel Furguele all wore their Pioneer medallions for the event.

husband, Rodney, and daughters Rachele and Danielle.

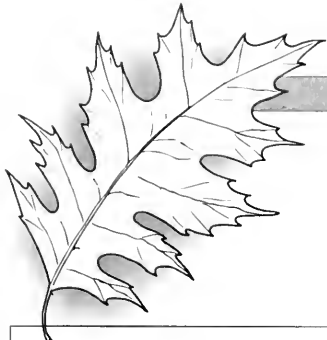
A member of the nursing faculty at Case Western Reserve University since 1989, **JoAnne Oechert Youngblut '77** has been promoted to professor and serves as associate dean for research for the university's nursing school. She holds master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Michigan.

A podiatrist in Woburn, Mass., **Glenn Ruhl '78** graduated from the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine

system or simply unwanted on the streets of America."

Jo-Anne Staudt Clark '80 writes that she has relocated to southwest Florida with her husband, David, and seven-year-old son.

Promoted to vice president of worldwide publishing at MicroWarehouse, Inc., **Anthony Calabro '80** oversees all catalog and Internet publishing operations for both the North American and



You're invited to chart your IUP Family Tree on these pages. List your name and the names of relatives who have attended IUP. The names of IUP students of the future are also welcome.

Send your IUP Family Tree to IUP Magazine, and it will be displayed with others in an album in Brecedale Alumni Center. Also, plan to celebrate the university's 125th anniversary with your family at the IUP Family Reunion in the Oak Grove, June 10.

Need help to get started? Here's an example:

Council of Trustees member Michael Connell is an IUP senior. His IUP Family Tree includes the following:

Name (Maiden Name)	Class Year	Relationship
Michael Connell	'00	Self
Anne (Connell) Henningsen	'84	Sister
Patrick Connell	'89	Brother
Kevin Connell	'94	Brother
John Connell	'91	Brother
Kathy (Connell) Rudolph	'87	Sister
Marybeth (Connell) Jeffries	'85	Sister
John Jeffries	'85	Brother-in-law

Multiple family connections, as the Connells have, are not required: Families of any size are welcome. Submit your IUP Family Tree to Family Tree Project, IUP Magazine, 322 Sutton Hall, 1011 South Drive, Indiana, PA 15705.

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My Name and IUP Class Year _____

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Mentors



Mentors is a new feature that highlights and reports on IUP faculty members, past and present. News of alumni who are also faculty members will continue to appear in Class Notes.

Last year, Winter Garden, Fla., resident **Lynn McCutcheon '67**, editor of the *North American Journal of Psychology*, was surprised when one of the submissions to his newly established journal came from a faculty member in IUP's Eberly College of Business, particularly when he was expecting submissions mainly from psychologists. **A. Amin Mohamed's** article, "Behavioral and Institutional Theories of Human Resource Practices: An Integrative Approach," appeared in the first edition of the journal. Writes McCutcheon: "What are the odds that one of [the submissions] would be from a school that is better known for turning out excellent teachers than it is for research?"

Many alumni may be surprised to know that in the last year, IUP faculty members participated in 115 sponsored research projects, generating more than \$7 million from granting agencies, according to **Michele Sanchez Schwietz '80**, IUP's interim associate dean for

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European offices. Tony lives in Sandy Hook, Conn., with his wife, **Gina Costa Calabro, '81**, and daughters, Alaina and Victoria.

Assistant vice president of American Re-Insurance Company, **Jeffrey Leventry '80** of Yardley, Pa., oversees the environmental and mass tort litigation division of the company.

Linda Chmiel Musthaler '80 is vice president of

Currid and Company, a computer technology consulting firm, while **Brian Musthaler '81** has started his own company, Essential Energy Solutions, a consulting firm for the newly deregulated energy industry.

Stationed at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., **George Potter '80** was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the Army. A related photo appears in *IUP Magazine* Web Extra, located at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>.

George is the son of **George Potter M'73** and the grandson of **Janet Brew Potter '25**, whose mother, Kathryn Jackson Brew, served as librarian of Indiana State Normal School in the '20s.

Having pursued her communications education teaching certification for the last year at Carlow College, **Cheryl Stewart-Miller '80** is now student teaching at Pine-Richland High School in Gibsonia, Pa.

Promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel, **Sandra Brooks Wood '80**, who is a member of the Army's Military Police, was reassigned to the Chief Army Reserve Office in Washington, D.C.

Berry College biology faculty member **Martin Cipollini '81, M'84** conducted research in Monterrey, Mexico, as part of an ongoing study in fruit toxicity by the Neotropical Ornithological Congress.

The recipient of an Emmy Award for her work on a promotion for the Cleveland Browns, **Sherry Carnahan Carpenter '82** has a new position as director of creative services at WTAE-TV in Pittsburgh. She and her husband, Craig, and their sons reside in Monroeville.

The West Coast service representative for the R.M. Palmer Candy Company, **Dina Nunziata Schock '82** of Bernville, Pa., volunteers as a big sister to an

eleven-year-old girl through the Big Brother Big Sisters program.

Jim Hefty '83 is a senior tax analyst for Bank One Corporation and lives in Westerville, Ohio.

Diane Rudisill Marburger '83 is the newly elected Butler County treasurer.

Employed by Eli Lilly, **Bob Marchesani '83** is global marketing manager for Alimta, an experimental compound. The position requires much international travel and allowed him recently to visit St. Andrews and Carnoustie in Scotland.

The Beaver-Castle Girl Scout Council named the special services coordinator for the Beaver County Office on Aging, **Angela Gentile '84** of Baden, Pa., Woman of Distinction.

Lisa Wood Curry '85 is self-employed as a freelance writer and editor, specializing in high-tech business-to-business communications. She lives in Hopewell Township, Pa., with her husband, Glen, and two sons, Griffin and Sean.

After winning a Neal Award for his work as editor of *Swimming Pool/Spa Age*, a trade magazine, **Michael Pallerino '85** became the editor of *Sports Trend* and *Sporting Goods Dealer*, trade magazines published in Roswell, Ga.

The Watson Award winner, **Paul Byrnes '86** graduated from UPMC's Shadyside Hospital School of Nursing in August. A nurse at that hospital, he lives in Pittsburgh with his wife, **Janet Wills Byrnes '85**, and their son, Jacob.

Bob Kaylor '86 received his Master of Divinity degree from Ashbury Theological Seminary in 1995 and is now an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church and serves as youth and young adults at the First United Methodist Church in Colorado Springs, Colo. **Jennifer Headlee Kaylor '86**, a full-time homemaker to Hannah and Robert, also leads Bible study.

After teaching for ten years in Michigan, **Louise Lipp Maine '86** has taken a new position teaching science in the Puxnatunwey Area School District. She and her husband, Michael, own Silverbrook Farm in Marchand, Pa.

A senior budget analyst for the U.S. Customs Service, **Amy McFarland Snyder '86** also became a new mother in October.



research at IUP. More than half of all proposals made by faculty members were funded.

Last summer, education professor **Mary Renck Jalongo** led a group of thirteen graduate students into the realm of publishing. Through her Writing for Publication course, Jalongo arranged for the Association for Childhood Education International Press to publish a collection of her students' articles, about different controversial issues in education. Their collective effort is titled *Resisting the Pendulum Swing: Informed Perspectives on Educational Controversies*.

Jalongo, herself the author of numerous books and articles, said, "What better way to teach Writing for Publication than to have [the students] write for publication? I thought, if you took the work these doctoral students had done and just shaped it and pruned it, it would make a nice edited book. And then they would really have the experience of being published."

An otolaryngologist, **Michelle Giza Cullen '87** has finished her residency and fellowships and is glad to be starting a private practice. She lives in Duluth, Ga.

Having completed her master's degree in education at Beaver College, **Diane Gerhard Darling '87** of Levittown is a technical advisor for Towers Perrin, where she develops training programs.

Joe Downing '87 of Jonesboro, Ga., earned his bachelor's degree at Clayton College and State University and is now working at Southern Regional Medical Center.

In a new position, **Jon Dow '88** is worship and events coordinator for

Aldersgate Renewal Ministries in Hendersonville, Tenn. He and his wife, **Pamela McElwee Dow '88**, have two daughters, Bethany and Rachel.

Teachers in the Bradford (Pa.) School District. Patricia and **Michael Grady '88 M'95** asked **Eric Zetts '87** and **Todd Butler '88** to be part of their wedding.

A kindergarten teacher in the Highlands School District in Natrona Heights, Pa., **Marian Wilkins Ayres '89** lives in Bridgeville with her husband, Tim, and their son, Steven Timothy, who is two years old.

An eighth grade reading teacher at John Hanson Middle School in Waldorf, Md., **Debra Yesilonis Calvert '89** received the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award.

Brad Hastings '89 and **Maria Loniero Hastings '89** have been married for almost nine years, have two sons, and live in Lilly, Pa.

Michael Kane '89, who works for Abbott Laboratories, graduated from the Executive MBA program at the University of Notre Dame with honors in May.

An elementary teacher, **Kimberly Leeper '89** works with fifth grade students in the Edwards School District in Seattle, Wash.

As vice president in the consumer marketing practice of Porter Novelli, **Jeffrey Moran '89** directs accounts for Polaroid and Kellogg's Special K and recently began working on Cybersettle.com.

McDonald, Pa., residents **Timothy Motte '89** and **Dana Belk Motte '90** have three daughters, Annie, Amelia, and Diana.

Molly Stoff Uberti '89 served as matron of honor at the wedding of **Tanya Calari Witherson '89** and her husband, Benjamin.

Pricewaterhouse Coopers has admitted **Ted Young '89** to its partnership.

90s

James Cole '90 and **John Hare '90** have both joined the Philadelphia law firm of Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman, and Goggin. James graduated from Temple's law school this year. John, a 1993 graduate of Duquesne's law school, earned his master's degree in legal history at the University of California at Berkeley and is pursuing a doctoral degree in legal history at Princeton.

Community development coordinator for the City of Easton, Pa., **Trent Sear '90** is a part-time adjunct faculty member at Lehigh Carbon Community College in Allentown.

They describe it as a pseudo-midlife crisis. **Mark Spirk '90** and **Rich Hackenberg '92** completed the 1999 Chicago Marathon—Mark's first. In his sixth such run, Rich qualified for the 2000 Boston Marathon. Mark is a financial advisor with Prudential Securities in Chicago, and Rich, who lives in Westerville, Ohio, with his wife, **Jill Kelso Hackenberg '92**, is an account executive with Onyx Software.

Along with two partners, **Richard Hoover '91** has started an investment-banking firm in Romania, called Evanston Capital Advisors.

In a new position, **Rizwan Ismail '91** is mailroom supervisor for National City Bank in Pittsburgh. He traveled to Pakistan last year. His wife, **Sonya Stewart M'91, M'96**, volunteers for Shepherd Wellness, an organization that sponsors support groups and activities for people with AIDS and HIV and their caretakers.

Promoted to program director, **Cassie Schaeffer Nuzzo '91, M'92** coordinates programming for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Armstrong Country and In-Home Services, both programs of Holy Family Institute. She, her husband, **Mark Nuzzo '91**, and their sons, Nikola and Tyler, live in Ford City.

A graphic artist for Mays Marketing Group, **Lisa Metrik Angiolelli '92** asked **Kim Henkel '94** to participate in her wedding to Nick Angiolelli.

A computer technology instructor, **Caren Glowa Inks '92** asked **Kimberly Clinton Cherim '91** and **Anne Dixon Fletcher '93** to participate in her wedding to Michael Inks.

Promoted, **Frank Urbaniak '91** was named human resources manager for Lynx Services of PPG Industries. He lives in Paducah, Ky., with his wife, **Amy Seaman Urbaniak '90**.

A signal officer in the Eighty-second Airborne Division, **Daniel Kuntz '92** passed the Army Jumpmaster Course in October. He is stationed at Ft. Bragg, N.C.

Kindergarten teacher **Julie Glover Pura '92** of Ridgway received her master's

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June 10, 2000, includes various events. See ad in this issue

Alumni Activities

(724) 357-7942 or (800) 937-2487
<http://www.iup.edu/alumni>
Distinguished Alumni Awards Gala, Blue Room, John Sutton Hall, March 25
Alumni Reunion Weekend, June 9 and 10
June 30, 2000, The IUP Alumni Association Board of Directors election ends. All alumni are encouraged to vote by completing the ballot located in the "Nuts 'N Bolts" section of the IUP Alumni Association website (see above).

Lively Arts

(724) 357-2547
<http://www.iup.edu/fa/events.htmlx>
Afro-Cuban All Stars, Performance Plus Series, Hadley Union Building, March 14, 8:00 p.m.
West Side Story, IUP Music Theater and Theater-by-the-Grove, Fisher Auditorium, February 24 through 26, 8:00 p.m.; February 27, 2:00 p.m. *The Rimers of Eldritch*, Theater-by-the-Grove, Waller Hall, April 12 through 15, 18 through 20, 8 p.m.; April 16, 2:00 p.m. Baroque Music and Dance, Cross Currents Series (benefits student scholarships), Gorell Recital Hall, March 16, 8:00 p.m.
A Celebration of the Helwig Distinguished Artist Series, Blue Room, Sutton Hall, April 25, 6:30 p.m.

University Museum

(724) 357-7930
W.L. Coffman/Pre-War Photographs, through March 26 (closed March 4 through 13) New Works/New Europe, March 30 through April 30
Annual Alumni Exhibition Celebrating the Classes of 1950, 1955, 1960, and 1965, June 8 through July 30

Sports

(724) 357-2747
<http://www.iup.edu/athlet>
Note: All basketball games are cybercast. Details are available on IUP's website.

Men's Basketball

Columbia Union, February 21, 8:00 p.m.
at Lock Haven, February 23, 8:00 p.m.
California, February 26, 8:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball

at Lock Haven, February 23, 6:00
California, February 26, 6:00

Baseball

Gene Cusic Classic, March 5 through 12
Allegheny, March 14, 1:00 p.m.
Mercyhurst, March 22, noon
Davis and Elkins, March 23, 2:00 p.m.
at Fairmont State, March 25, noon
Shippensburg, March 27, 1:00 p.m.
at Pitt-Johnstown, March 30, 1:00 p.m.
at California, April 1, 1:00 p.m.
Edinboro, April 4, 1:00 p.m.
Slippery Rock, April 8, 1:00 p.m.
Pitt-Johnstown, April 11, 1:00 p.m.
Clarion, April 12, 1:00 p.m.
at Lock Haven, April 15, 1:00 p.m.
California, April 18, 1:00 p.m.
at Edinboro, April 21, 1:00 p.m.
at Allegheny, April 25, 1:00 p.m.
at Slippery Rock, April 26, 1:00 p.m.
at Clarion, April 29, 1:00 p.m.
Lock Haven, May 6, 1:00 p.m.

Classnotes

at Carson-Newman Invitational, March 12 through 13
at Camp Lejeune Invitational, March 30 through April 1
at Millersville Invitational, April 8 through 9
IUP Invitational (Indiana Country Club), April 12

Lacrosse

St. Vincent, March 15, 4:00 p.m.
Canisius, March 18, 1:00 p.m.
at Oberlin, March 22, 4:30 p.m.
Niagara, March 25, noon
at Gannon, March 29, 3:00 p.m.
at Millersville, April 1, 2:00 p.m.
at Mercyhurst, April 4, 4:00 p.m.
Shippensburg, April 8, 1:00 p.m.
Wooster, April 9, 1:00 p.m.
Lock Haven, April 12, 4:00 p.m.
at East Stroudsburg, April 15, 1:00 p.m.
at West Chester, April 16, 1:00 p.m.
at Allegheny, April 20, 4:30 p.m.
Bloomsburg, April 26, 4:00 p.m.
PSAC Tournament, May 6 or 7, TBA

Softball

at Ashland, March 5, 9:00 a.m.
at Florida Tech, March 5, 10:50 a.m.
in Florida against St. Joseph's (Ind.), March 6, 4:20
in Florida against Southwest State, March 6, 8:00
at Ferris State, March 8, 2:30
at Lewis, March 8, 6:10 p.m.
at Truman State, March 9, 10:50 a.m.
at Indianapolis, March 9, 6:10 p.m.
at Mount Olive, March 10, 10:50 a.m.
at Ashland, March 10, 2:30 p.m.
at University of Charleston Tournament, March 17 through 19
Ashland, March 25, 1:00 p.m.
at Salem Invitational, March 31 p.m.
at Clarion, April 2 through April 5, 3:00 p.m.
California, April 6, 3:00 p.m.
at Kutztown, April 9, 1:00 p.m.
at Lock Haven, April 11, 3:00 p.m.
Slippery Rock, April 15, 1:00 p.m.
Edinboro, April 16, 1:00 p.m.
at Edinboro, April 19, 3:00 p.m.
Clarion, April 22, 1:00 p.m.
at California, April 25, 5:00 p.m.
Lock Haven, April 27, 3:00 p.m.
at Slippery Rock, April 29, 1:00 p.m.

Track and Field

at Slippery Rock Relays, February 25
at North Carolina Invitational, March 18
at Susquehanna Invitational, March 25
at Slippery Rock Invitational, April 1
at Lock Haven Quadrangular Meet, April 8
IUP Quadrangular Meet, April 15
IUP Invitational, April 22
at Baldwin-Wallace Invitational, April 29
IUP Open, May 6

Every year for twenty:

This group of friends has been getting together every year for the last twenty. This year they met at

Knack Park in Indiana. Seated are Debra

Joseph Bell '77, M'85, Annette Berco Kostelnik '77, M'85, and

Nancy Ague Lotinsky '77. Standing are Ellen Tericani '78, '85,

Patty Goble Wallwork '78, and Donna Fowler McKelvey '78.



degree in curriculum and instruction from Penn State.

David Taylor '92 has been named information technology specialist for the South Fayette Township School District and made a presentation at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) Regional Conference in Pittsburgh last fall. **Jennifer Hinds Taylor '93** became certified to teach mathematics through the University of Pittsburgh in April and now teaches sixth and seventh graders in the Keystone Oaks School District.

In a promotion, **Janet Corrinne '93** was named NSA account director for the Tribune-Review Publishing Company in Greensburg, Pa.

Jennifer Zaranek Johnson '93 is TV promotional manager for the Ohio State University Public Broadcasting Stations.

Brian Lenosky '93, who is operations director for Telephony Solutions, Inc., and **Amy Peterson Lenosky '95** have been married three years. They live in Sarasota, Fla., with their daughter, Alexis.

When she married Eric Thomson, **Cheryl Brednich Thomson '93** asked **Tina Reese Teno '94** to be her matron of honor.

Amy Taylor Phillips '94 and her husband, **Mark Phillips '95** live in New Castle with their children, Randon Edward and Riley Taylor. Mark works in sales for Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical.

Fellow alumnae in the wedding party of **Jennie Canfield Vaughn '94** and her husband, Jason, were **Erin Hann Rose '93** and **Marcella Pajak '94**.

Thirty alumnae attended the wedding of **Christie Bodnar Biro '95**, M'98 and **Sean Biro '96**, while **Lynn Raacke Bodnar '84**, **Rebecca Bodnar Gruen '85**, and **Todd Shimko '97** served as members of the wedding party. A photo may be viewed in IUP Magazine's Web Extra at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>.

Angie Daubert Gutekunst '95 and her husband, Mark, asked **Jessica Langkamer '96** to be the maid of honor in their wedding.

Tammi Torrance Hanak '95 and **Robert Hanak '95** live in Pittsburgh with their

daughter, Marissa. Tammi is a speech-language pathologist at HealthSouth/Harmarville Rehabilitation Hospital, and Robert is an optometrist with Family EyeCare.

Vicki Kennedy '95 and **Doug Taylor '95** are planning a June wedding.

A graduate student at Penn State University, **Matt Konetschni '95** represented student alumni associations in a panel discussion about college fundraising and advancement at the Pennsylvania Association of Councils of Trustees at its fall meeting.

At the wedding of Dionne and **Sean Molony '95**, Sean's brother, **Scott '97**, was best man along with their other brother, Jim.

Married at Walt Disney World in September, **Laura Carino Musser '95** and her husband, Kevin, asked **Rachel Wells Schwenmer '96** and **Kirsten Brenick Musser** to participate in the ceremony.

Mindy Holland Phillips '95 and her husband, Todd, whom she married in June, live in Beaver, Pa. Bridal attendants were **Shelby Holland FitzSimmons '94**, **Tonya Harold Kent '94**, **Jennifer Gorss Alves '95**, **Carri Whitehouse Gamache '95**, **Donna Snyder Lucas '95**, **Stephanie Tempest Ross '95**, and **Beth Latshaw Skibinski '96**.

Married in 1998, **Elise Hollis Sheffer '95** and her husband, Matthew asked **Jorie Camas '95** and **Kelli Creamer '96** to be part of their wedding party.

Anne Marie Zaranek '95 received her master's degree from the University of Georgia in Theater Arts. After teaching for a year at the university, she now is auditioning for acting roles in Chicago.

Christy and Douglas Zimmer '95 live in Sandersville, Ga.

Married last year, **Donald Allen '96** and **Jennifer Snyder Allen '98** of Reedsville, Pa., are now the parents of Britney Raylene. Don works for NAPA Auto, and Jennifer is a middle school girls club advisor.

Having completed his training, **Matthew Docherty '96** of Apollo, Pa., has been hired by the Pennsylvania State Police.

Jessica Langkamer '96 is engaged to marry John Zwikowits in two years.

Planning to be married in December,

Tina Lesnock '96 and **Robert Veith '96** have asked **Christine Nelis '97** to be in their wedding. Tina teaches English, and Robert is a corrections officer for Allegheny County.

An international network engineer for MCI WorldCom, **Alison Hughes Lumbatis '96** lives in Dallas, Tex., with her husband Craig. They asked **Danielle Nastasi '95** and **Robin Swanson '97** to participate in their wedding.

Frazier, Pa., residents **Michael McCann '96** and his wife, Kelly, celebrated their first wedding anniversary in September.

Dailyann Fornaciari McKeague '96, a teacher in the Pen Argyle School District, and **Scott McKeague '97**, technical coordinator for Clean Venture/Cycle Chem, asked fellow alumni **Leslie Bober '95**, **Michael Rossi '95**, **Jeff Tesone '95**, **M'97**, **Cathy Slezak M'96**, and **Rae McBryan Welling '95**, **M'97** to participate in their wedding. The McKeagues live in Bethlehem, Pa.

Altoona, Pa., residents **Shawn Nicewonger M'96** and **Lorie Williams Nicewonger '97** asked **Kelly Lang Zomak '94** and **Melissa Long Oliver '97** to participate in their wedding.

Wed in 1998 to Andrew Wohl, **Laurie Saxton Wohl '96** asked **Leslie Saxton '93**, **M'97** and **Jeffrey Yoder '93** to participate in the wedding.

Married to Tate Livelsberger last April, **Jennifer Garisto Livelsberger '97** asked **Caroline Shields Doub '97** to participate in her wedding.

Alan Lucas '97 is the godfather of Charles Lucas Lawall, son of **Ellen Lucas Lawall '95** and her husband, Jack.

Shenessa Huth Rossetti '97 and **Chris Rossetti '98** asked **Hilary Valone '97** and **Mark McColgan '98** to participate in their wedding. Chris is the son of **Dominic Rossetti '69** and **Cheryl Yaman Rossetti '69**.

Married in 1998, **Lisa Leonard Wright '97** and her husband, Michael, asked **Amy Lavelle '96** and **Lisa Harding '97** to participate in their wedding.

Having completed his first season as public and media relations director of the Lake Elsinore Storm, a Single-A team of the Anaheim Angels, **Mike Gazda '98** served the California Fall League in the same position, which included handling all regional and

Meredith McCann, center, who graduated from IUP in December, was the first recipient of the Foundation for IUP's Community Volunteer Service Award. The recognition was presented by David Purdy, left, Foundation board member, and Barbara Ender, Foundation executive director. A dietetics major from Schwenksville, McCann coordinated many special events for the American Cancer Society, including the Great American Smokeout, Daffodil Days, and the Relay for Life. The award itself was established in 1998 to celebrate the Foundation's thirtieth anniversary. It acknowledges the distinguished volunteer commitment demonstrated by the Foundation board while honoring the good works performed by IUP students who give their time and talents toward bettering the local community. Nominations of current students for the award are welcome until the April 15 deadline; information on making a nomination is available from the Foundation for IUP, 103 Sutton Hall; telephone (724) 357-3184.



Kath Bower



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Piper, of Exeter, N.H., IUP doctoral candidate David Piper displays a national award recognizing his internship project, which was supervised by faculty member Cathy Kaufman in the Administration and Leadership Studies program. As director of business affairs at Mount Union (Pa.) Area School District, Piper enlisted scores of students and area residents to lay fifty-four thousand feet of cable in a 1997 project that networked the district's computers. The volunteer effort saved the district close to \$50,000 and garnered state and national awards from the Association of School Business Officials. According to Kaufman, "The quality of David's internship project demonstrates not only his leadership in pursuing excellence in efforts geared to student achievement, but it also involved confronting and solving challenging issues of human relations in this collaborative venture." The doctoral program in which Piper is enrolled is a three-year, part-time undertaking. He also has three other IUP degrees: two in business (bachelor's and master's) and a master's in labor relations.

national media and most of the day-to-day governance of the league.

Carissa Pecora '98 has moved to Tarpon Springs, Fla., and would like to hear from friends. Her e-mail address is pecoracar@berkeleyprep.org.

In a new position, **Henry Staples '98** is a therapist at the Indiana County Guidance Center. She lives in Marion Center with her daughter, Rachel.

Sisterson and Company, a Pittsburgh accounting firm, has announced that **Erica Alberth '99** and **Kevin VanAsdalan '99** have joined the staff.

Amy Fitzgerald '99 and **Karen Kurts '99** are pursuing law degrees at Dickinson School of Law in Carlisle.

Stephanie Strittmatter '99 is enrolled in the Pennsylvania College of Optometry near Philadelphia.

Sarah Zaranek '99 has accepted a fellowship to Brown University and is working toward a Ph.D. in geophysics.



Beth Miller Moore. Please contact Rose Vitullo Laudato at (412) 885-6347; roselle415@aol.com.

Michael Hilty: Please contact Jennifer Snyder Allen at 104 Betty Circle, Reedsville, PA 17084; 717-667-0162.

Michele Hotovcin and **Jason Reynolds**: Please contact Carissa Pecora at 115 Lakeside Colony Drive, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689; (727) 938-6750; pecoracar@berkeleyprep.org.

William Highberger and **William Nett**: Please contact Harriet Bachner at 4157 Driscoll Drive, The Colony, TX 75056.

Alumni interested in supporting the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community at IUP: Please contact M.E. Baker at (724) 465-2255; mebaker@yourinter.net.

Classmates and Alpha Gamma Delta sorority sisters of Kathie Kanour-Kelley: Please contact her at 2 VanBuren Road, Enfield, CT 06082-5323; (860) 763-1260 nkk1079@aol.com.

Marriages

1950s

Grace Thomas Kacprowicz '56 to Jack Grainger, April 24, 1999.

1970s

Ronald Yamka '71 to Vera Fecanineva, November 14, 1999. **Jeffrey Goodis '77** to Yuan Mao, November 12, 1999.

1980s

Rosemarie Gaetano '82 to Paul Papariella, August 7, 1999. **Patty Novak '82** to Nick Del Zingaro, October 17, 1998. **Joan Paddock '83** to Brian Bennett, November 1, 1997.

Christine Stewart '84, **M'90** to Craig Fabnestock, October 9, 1999. **Michael Grady '88**, **M'95** to Patricia Lester, July 3, 1999. **Rick Salvatore '88** to Jennifer Powell, October 9, 1999. **Tanya Calieri '89** to Benjamin Witherson, June 26, 1999. **Tammy Cord '89** to Brent Grinnell, May 15, 1999.

1990s

Kelly Giordano '90 to Eric Cesaratto,

July 23, 1999. **Debbie Henry '90, M'98** to Dave Alsippi, August 14, 1999. **Mark Mahalik '90** to Victoria Kazmier, January 9, 1999. **Caren Glowa '92** to Michael Inks, July 30, 1999. **Lisa Metrik '92** to Nick Angiolelli, August 21, 1999. **Carrie Ray '92** to Brian Banks, June 26, 1999. **Cheryl Brednich '93** to Eric Thomson, June 19, 1999. **Kevin Canalicchio '93** to Rebecca Johnson, October 23, 1999. **Traci Dill '93** to Nick Vozdak, September 25, 1999. **Leslie Peterson '93** to Brian Schreckengast, September 18, 1999. **Linda Sandman '93** to **Michael Simons '93**, October 23, 1999. **Jennie Canfield '94** to Jason Vaughn, March 27, 1999. **Robynne Domanski '94** to David Ramirez, May 14, 1999. **Kimberly Gray '94, M'97** to **James Woodley '96**, May 24, 1999.

Christie Bodnar '95, M'98 to **Sean Biro '96**, July 17, 1999. **Laura Carino '95** to Kevin Musser, September 10, 1999. **Angie Daubert '95** to Mark Gutekunst, September 25, 1999. **Mindy Holland '95** to Todd Phillips, June 19, 1999. **Elise Hollis '95** to Matthew Sheffer, October 3, 1998. **Sandi Kline '95** to Sean Henderson, April 24, 1999. **Ellen Lucas '95** to Jack Lawall, June 7, 1997. **Kelly Martell '95** to Curtis Craigie, September 12, 1998. **Timothy McClatchy '95** to Cathy Gitzendanner, October 23, 1999. **Tammy McCready '95** to **Louis Garzarelli '95**, July 26, 1996. **Sean Molony '95** to Dionne Koehler, September 18, 1999. **Jennifer Nauert '95** to William White, September 25, 1999. **Jacynta Oliver '95** to Scott Harb, July 19, 1997. **Douglas Zimmer '95** to Christy Taylor, August 1, 1998. **Donald Allen '96** to **Jennifer Snyder '98**, July 25, 1998. **Melissa Ensley '96** to Rick Straley, August 14, 1999. **Dailynn Fornaciari '96** to **Scott McKeague '97**, August 14, 1999.

Originally from Clearfield: The forty-year Clearfield High School reunion served as a way for several IUP alumni to meet again. In the front are **June Anderson Penta '63**, **Biaggina Accordino Haas '63**, **Gloria Rice Henneman '62**, and **Karen Olson Shirey '62**. In the back are **Wilbur Shirey '63** and **Paul Henneman '62**.

Births

1970s

To **David Mrozowski '78** and **Teresa Wilson Mrozowski '79**, a son, Adam Wilson, October 14, 1999.

1980s

To **Holly Brown Brownnewell '80** and **Steve Brownnewell**, a daughter, **Jeanne Nicole**, September 20, 1999. To **Jeffrey Leventry '80** and **Lisa Leventry**, a daughter, **Jessica Lynne**, August 11, 1999. To **Mary Beth Feehan Murri '80** and **Joe Murri**, a son, **Christopher Scott**, April 5, 1999. To **Chris Herbst Daniels '81** and **Neil Daniels**, twins, **Neil Anthony** and **Kelly Marlaire**, August 13, 1999. To **Gretchen Riek Dick '82** and **John Dick**, a son, **John Xavier**, August 1, 1999. To **Kathryn Johnson Johnston '82** and **John Johnston**, an adopted daughter, **Sydney Rae**, June 16, 1999. To **Melinda Burkett Lucas '82** and **Michael Lucas**, a daughter, **Michaela Marie**, May 10, 1999. To **Christine Brown Martin '82** and **Daniel Martin**, a daughter, **Lindsay Christine**, November 16, 1995, and a son, **Jared Daniel**, June 30, 1999. To **Don Orris '82** and **Chris Valeri Dris '83**, a son, **Joshua Cameron**, September 22, 1999. To **Joan Paddock Bennett '83** and **Brian Bennett**, a daughter, **Meredith Helen**, March 16, 1999. To **Lori Chabassol Lapham '83** and **Gary Lapham**, twins, **Laura Noel** and **Joseph Jude**, October 25, 1999. To **Bob Marchesani '83** and **Marlene Marchesani**, a son, **Matthew**, October 25, 1999. To **Laurie Conti '84** and **T.J. Reeves**, an adopted daughter, **Sarah Ann**, October 1, 1998. To **Jennifer Abram Altomose '85** and **Mark Altomose**, a daughter, **Rachel Rebecca**, December 30, 1996, and a daughter, **Meghan Grace**, November 7, 1999. To **DeAnn Hadix Cardarella '85** and **Joel Cardarella**, a daughter, **Marissa Joeline**, July 6, 1999. To **Lisa Wood Curry '85** and **Glen Curry**, a son, **Sean Frederick**, July 7, 1999. To **Jon Havicon '85** and **Lori Havicon**, a son, **Matthew Ryan**, July 8, 1999. To **John Jeffries '85** and **Marybeth Connell Jeffries '85**, a son, **William**, February 23, 1999. To **Sandy Slogosky Escandon '86**

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ALUMNI WEEKEND RUN JUNE 10, 2000

For more particular plans and for entry blanks, contact: Larry Judge, Coordinator of Special Projects for IUP Athletics, 107 Memorial Field House, IUP, Indiana, Pennsylvania 15705
Phone 724-357-2747; E-mail judge@grove.iup.edu

The Plan:

8:00 a.m. 5K Fitness Walk on Indiana's new Hoodlebug Trail

8:00 a.m. Kids K (Ages 9 and under, 10-11, 12-13) on IUP's George P. Miller Stadium Track

9:00 a.m. Men's 5K Race on Campus Loop
9:30 a.m. Women's 5K Race on Campus Loop

—For Alumni, IUP and Indiana Community Teams and Individuals

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and Pedro Escandon, a daughter, Amaya Christina, October 17, 1999. To **Bob Kaylor '86** and **Jennifer Headlee Kaylor '86**, a daughter, Hannah Elizabeth, June 23, 1996, and a son, Robert Wesley, February 7, 1999. To **Beth Padalino '86** and John Whiting, twin daughters, Jenna Mason Whiting and Hayley Elizabeth Whiting, August 2, 1999. To **Amy McFarland Snyder '86** and Ken Snyder, a son, Brandon Michael, October 6, 1999. To **Linda Miller Wiseman '86** and Marc Wiseman, a son, Bradley Keith, July 9, 1999. To **Felicity Feather Clancy '87** and Daniel Clancy, a daughter, Erin Elizabeth, May 16, 1999. To **Michelle Giza Cullen '87** and Mark Cullen, a daughter, Isabelle, March 29, 1999. To **Daniel Curran '87** and **Linda Troxell Curran '87**, a son, Luke Daniel, February 20, 1999. To **Diane Gerhard Darling '87** and Chip Darling, an adopted son, Quinten Curtis, January 18, 1999. To **Judy Lipnicky Diehl '87** and **David Diehl '88**, twin daughters, Kristin Valerie and Tierney Susan, September 3, 1999. To **Linda Green-O'Sullivan '87** and Gene O'Sullivan, a daughter, Sophie, October 1, 1998. To **Cindy Busch Gyugyi '87** and Paul Gyugyi, a daughter, Katelyn Rose, November 22, 1999. To **Karen Heist Hammer '87**, **M '88** and **Gary Hammer '87**, a son, Eric Michael, August 12, 1999. To

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Opportunities

IUP is offering a three-week study opportunity this summer at Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, Poland.

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The girls: Elizabeth Wallace '46 of New Florence, Pa., writes, "Since 1993, a group of 'The Old Girls' has been meeting for fellowship, mainly at the Sheraton Inn in Wexford, Pa. All have contributed

professionally to society." All members of the Class of 1946, they are, standing, from left, Edith Everitt Myers, June Kunkle Griffith, Ruth Hixson Scholl, Elizabeth Wallace, Ruth Hughes, and Thelma Inbusch Harnack. Seated are Emmeline Mehlman Sellers, Laird Scheidemantel Kaufman, and Temoy McFate.



Keith Boyer

World War II meets cyberspace: Two World War II Army veterans were memorialized in a recent gift that will help Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets utilize twenty-first-century technology. A storeroom in Pierce Hall was transformed into a multi-computer Leadership Lab dedicated to the memory of Walter Piwinsky and Stanley Brzycki. Funding for the lab was provided by the veterans' families through Mark Piwinsky, IUP's vice provost for academic affairs, and his wife, Dolores Brzycki of the College of Education. Brzycki demonstrated one computer's capabilities to Martha Piwinsky, widow of Walter Piwinsky and mother of Mark Piwinsky. Captain Gary Carter is in the background.

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1992: Nancy Scott.
1993: Jonathon Molinari.
1998: Lauren Dunn.
1999: Bobbi Jo Dean
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Other Deaths

Charles Cooper, who served as an accounting professor and department chairperson at IUP for twenty years until his retirement in 1982, died November 22, 1999.

John Kadlubowski, a history professor at IUP from 1967 until his retirement in 1999, died September 17, 1999.

Deaths

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The Real-Life Miracle

Ruth Podbielski is to IUP women's athletics what Orville and Wilbur Wright are to aviation.



When the women's program first took flight in 1970, it was a modest little undertaking that somewhat mirrored the Wright brothers' bumpy beginnings in Kitty Hawk, auguring none of the landmark achievements to come. It was all Podbielski could do to get her fledgling operation off the ground.

Thirty years later, the program she launched is soaring. Allude to the national recognition record-breaking basketball, softball, and swimming teams brought IUP last year, and Podbielski shakes her head in disbelief. Who could have predicted this? Could the Wright brothers, piloting their flimsy craft over the North Carolina sand dunes, have foreseen supersonic flight?

"When you see where it came from and where it is now, it's mind-boggling. It really is," says Podbielski, IUP's associate director of Athletics for Women from 1970 until her retirement in 1987. "They've come so far. It's just phenomenal."

Consider the 1999 calendar year, unquestionably the most glorious twelve-month period in the history of IUP women's athletics. The swimming team placed sixth at the NCAA Division II meet, the program's highest finish ever, and produced eight different All-Americans. The basketball team (26-6) set a school record for victories—two came in the NCAA tournament—and advanced to the national quarterfinals. The softball squad (27-19)

established a school record for victories and qualified for the NCAA tourney, a first. In addition, the field hockey team climbed to seventh in the Division II rankings, the volleyball team (19-9) posted one of the best records in school history, and the cross country and track and field programs produced individual conference champions.

Podbielski could never have envisioned success on such a grand scale back in 1955, when she arrived on campus as an instructor of health and physical education. Intercollegiate football, basketball, baseball, track and field, swimming, soccer, wrestling, golf, and tennis were available to male students. The women? Their athletic outlets were limited to intramurals—a program directed by Podbielski—and Play Days, informal, periodic get-togethers that provided off-campus competition.

"You would go to different colleges," says Podbielski, whose own opportunities were limited to intramural play as a Slippery Rock undergrad. "Basically, we took five people so they would fit in a car with a driver. You didn't play as a team—you'd divide up with students from other schools and play basketball, volleyball, and badminton, or you'd bowl or fence. Then toward the 1960s they changed to Sports Days, where you'd actually take a team. It was almost a club-type thing."

University funding rarely covered expenses, so everyone involved stretched what little money was available. Podbielski packed sandwiches for the players, acted as their chauffeur, even laundered "uniforms."

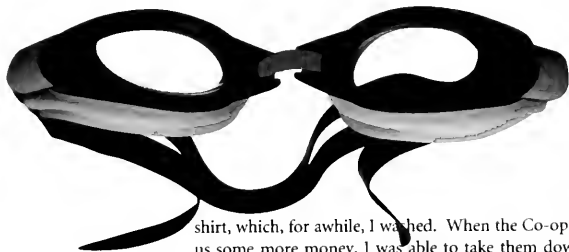
"When we first started to play against other schools we played in our gym uniforms—tan and brown tunics," she recalls. "Then we wore shorts and a white



Ruth Podkieski on the steps
of Waller Hall

The Real-Life Miracle

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shirt, which, for awhile, I washed. When the Co-op gave us some more money, I was able to take them down to One-Hour Martinizing and let them do it.”

Even when a full-fledged varsity program premiered in 1970, it was strictly a no-frills operation. Podbielski’s budget, which covered the four sports introduced that year—basketball, volleyball, tennis, and fencing—amounted to a paltry \$3,700. To supplement such meager funding, the women sold baked goods along with pencils, notepads, pom-poms, etc. In short, any little “trinket,” to use Podbielski’s term, that might bring in a few dollars.

Although money was tight, the women’s program flourished under Podbielski’s stewardship. Field hockey was added in 1971, gymnastics in 1973, and swimming, track and field, softball, and cross country were added, one per year, starting in 1976. Soccer and lacrosse joined the fold in 1993 and 1998, respectively, following her retirement (fencing and gymnastics were ultimately dropped).

The program Podbielski built from scratch today ranks among the finest in the East. As far back as 1983, a survey published in the *Pittsburgh Press* cited the IUP women’s program as a model for schools in the tri-state area. But rather than take a bow for her manifold contributions to IUP’s success story, Podbielski prefers to credit Title IX, which effectively leveled the playing field.

Part of the Equal Rights Amendment passed by Congress in 1972, Title IX outlaws discrimination on the basis of gender in any program or activity at a university receiving federal financial assistance. Doors immediately swung open for women long denied equal access and participation in athletics surged accordingly.

“Title IX was the springboard into greater possibilities for women and promoted the growth of women’s sports,” says Podbielski, a member of both the Slippery Rock and IUP athletic halls of fame. “A lot of schools added to their

programs. The nice part about it is we were given opportunities for better coaching, better budgets, and better training. When I played ball in college and you sprained an ankle, that was it. But now you can go down and get all the help you need from the training staff.”

Title IX also mandated equitable sharing of facilities. During her early years at IUP, Podbielski engaged in an on-going tug of war with various men’s coaches. They obstinately threw up roadblocks when, in their view, the women threatened “male” strongholds, as if Waller Gym were the Bastille itself and female athletes were massing to storm the gates.

“I remember telling Lew Shaffer a long time ago—we were at Waller then—that I wanted to have basketball practice in the back gym,” Podbielski says. “He had a wrestling match scheduled for the same time in the main gym. He says, ‘No, no, no, no, you can’t practice back there. You bring your girls out here so they can watch the wrestling match and cheer.’ I told him, ‘And what are we going to do, Lew? Practice at eleven o’clock at night?’

“But that was part of the culture—the men had the first choices. I remember once we were talking about changing the swimming schedule. The women would practice from six to eight one week while the men practiced from four to six. Then we’d flip-flop every other week. Well, the men’s coach said, ‘We can’t do that. What will the men do from four to six?’ I told him, ‘The same thing the women do.’ It was really difficult for the men to adjust.”

Fortunately, attitudes have undergone radical change since then. Play Days and Sports Days are a dim memory, succeeded by genuine intercollegiate competition in which IUP’s women have distinguished themselves and more than upheld the school’s winning tradition. The university has celebrated two national team titles in gymnastics, produced four individual national champions in gymnastics and track and field, and honored scores of All-Americans.

But perhaps the greatest measure of Podbielski’s impact on the program is something as basic as this: Women have been afforded opportunities to participate in athletics that simply didn’t exist when she arrived on campus in 1955. Call it her legacy to a university she served for thirty-two years.

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A women’s program stocked with nationally ranked teams surpasses anything Podbielski could have envisioned back when she packed lunches, acted as chauffeur, laundered uniforms, and sold trinkets for the benefit of female athletes denied a varsity experience. When Podbielski reflects on the advances made since then—advances nearly as startling as those made in aviation since the Wright brothers’ time—she gets a little choked up.

Is it any wonder? When Ruth Podbielski launched the program in 1970, she just hoped to get it off the ground. She never dreamed it would soar. 🐼

Call for Mr. Jordan



Leander Jordan rarely heard his name called by P.A. announcers on Saturday afternoons last fall, even when he scattered defenders like bowling pins and opened holes that could've accommodated a locomotive.

No big deal. What matters to Jordan is that he hears his name called on April 15, the day the annual National Football League draft commences in New York City. That's when the years of toiling in anonymity—an offensive lineman's lot—figure to pay off. Literally.

Now that's a big deal.

IUP's All-America guard looms large—fitting, given his 330-pound frame—as a likely early selection. How early? Let's just say Jordan doesn't expect to be in suspense very long come Draft Day.

"I think I'm going to go in the first ten picks. At least in the first fifteen," he says. "I know that I'll definitely be a first-rounder."

Such talk would border on boastful were it not for Jordan's matter-of-fact delivery, as if he's as certain of his fate as he is of tomorrow's sunrise. Fact is, Jordan has good reason to believe he'll be drafted higher than any IUP product since Jim Haslett, who was selected by the Buffalo Bills with the fifty-first pick (second round) of the 1979 draft. Scouts from all thirty-one NFL teams have swarmed over campus like ants at a picnic, singing Jordan's praises.

"Everybody's been in here two or three times," says head coach Frank Cignetti. "Every scout I've talked to has been extremely impressed with him in terms of his intelligence, his physical ability, and the way he's played."

Offensive line coach Jack Linn, who started part-time at guard and tackle for the Detroit Lions (1990-92) and Cincinnati Bengals (1993), is convinced Jordan possesses all the necessary tools to succeed in the NFL.

"He's everything that you would want in an offensive lineman," says Linn. "He's 6-foot-4, 330 pounds, he's strong, and he can run and change direction. That's what makes him special. There aren't many guys who can move like he can."

Jordan combines the nimble footwork of a Barysh-

nikov with cobra-like quickness and preternatural strength. He punishes defenders on running plays, regularly knocking them on their backsides. To pass rushers, he's a seemingly impenetrable roadblock. Small wonder draft guru Mel Kiper rates Jordan the top guard prospect in the country—all divisions. That's heady stuff for someone who four years ago wondered if he was even good enough to make the starting lineup.

Jordan arrived on campus in the fall of 1995, but as a Prop 48 recruit he couldn't play—or even practice—with the team. He broke into the starting lineup halfway through the 1996 season and by 1997 began attracting the attention of those who comb the college ranks for talent.

"My sophomore year scouts were starting to get interested in who I was," Jordan says. "I was like, Wow. I didn't think I was that good. But I figured if they were interested in me, then maybe I can really play in the NFL."

Jordan has worked assiduously in pursuit of that dream ever since. He's even supplanted 1995 All-American Chris Villarrial—currently a starting guard with the Chicago Bears—as the premier offensive lineman in IUP history.

"He's so much better of an athlete than Chris," says Cignetti. "He's more gifted in terms of athletic ability, natural size, quickness. Chris was a guy who made himself through hard work. Now Chris had talent, don't get me wrong. But Leander's got those God-given natural skills, physical skills. For a guy his size he's got incredible quickness, agility, and lateral mobility—all the things they're looking for."

Which is why some NFL team will come looking for Jordan on D-Day. But how soon? First round? Second?

"As far as potential and the things that he can do, he's a first-round draft pick," Linn says. "Whether he goes in the first round—I mean, I've had scouts say he's a first-round guy. But with the draft you just have no idea what's going to happen."

Except for this: Some time on April 15, Leander Jordan will hear his name called. At long last. 🏈

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IUP

Eyebrows raised in 1998 when IUP hired **Carmine Cortazzo** as women's volleyball coach. Not because he was offered the job. Because he took it. The prospect of directing a program that posted a 29-100 record the previous five seasons would seem as inviting as an IRS audit, but Cortazzo was undaunted. Overwhelmed, too, when IUP finished 19-9 last fall and snapped a four-year losing streak in Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference matches. "I didn't expect such a dramatic turnaround this quick," said Cortazzo. "I thought if we could finish above .500 and at least break even in the conference that we'd be headed in the

right direction." Freshman outside hitter **Laura Hall** helped steer the Indians to their first winning season in nine years. Hall earned PSAC Western Division first-team and Rookie of the Year honors, paced the PSAC in service aces (0.71 per game), and ranked second in kills (3.83 per game) and hitting percentage (.371). Sophomore middle hitter **Tracy Pangallo** led the conference in blocks (1.51 per game) and senior middle hitter **Amy Shoemaker** ranked third (1.18) while providing leadership for a team dominated by freshmen and sophomores. IUP should continue to raise eyebrows—with its sterling play—since only Shoemaker will graduate. "Next season it'll be a sophomore-junior team, basically," Cortazzo said. "It's encouraging to have most of

these people back for the next two years and some of them for the next three. The future looks real bright."

The IUP football team (9-4) also exceeded expectations last fall en route to a berth in the NCAA Division II semifinals for the sixth time since 1989. Following successive losses to Slippery Rock and Millersville, the Indians were 3-3, their postseason hopes all but extinguished. Rather than surrender, they regrouped, avenged both setbacks in the playoffs, and advanced to the final four. Eventual champion Northwest Missouri State ended IUP's dazzling run with a 20-12 victory. "When we came home from the [first] Millersville game, that was about as low as we could possibly be," said coach **Frank Cignetti '60, M'65**. "I've

never had a team come back like this one." The Indians claimed the Lambert Cup, emblematic of eastern supremacy in Division II, for the seventh time in Cignetti's fourteen seasons at IUP. Individually, senior guard **Leander Jordan** earned American Football Coaches Association first-team All-America honors and was invited to appear in the Senior Bowl all-star game, a first for an IUP player. Junior defensive end **Roger Wilson** joined Jordan on the Daktronics Northeast Region all-star team. Sophomore linebacker **Mike Borisenko** earned PSAC Defensive Player of the Year honors and was voted onto the conference first team along with Jordan, sophomore tailback **Aamir Dew**, and sophomore nose tackle **Tim Buffone**. Freshman quarterback **Brian Eyerma** was named the ECAC South Division II Rookie of the Year. And senior defensive end **Eric Neff** earned a ticket to Fargo, N.D., to represent IUP in the Snow Bowl, the annual Division II all-star game.

PSAC Rookie of the Year and first-team all-star **Julie Hess** led the IUP field hockey squad to its first winning record (10-8) since

Carmine Cortazzo with Laura Hall, left, and Amy Shoemaker



1988. The freshman forward finished second in the conference in goals (1.06 per game) and points (2.50) and helped the Indians climb as high as seventh in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association Division II rankings. Teammate **Jessica Hopely**, a senior forward, represented IUP at the NFCA North/South All-Star Game in Boston following the season.

According to information furnished by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association, IUP ranked fifteenth among Division II programs with a cumulative team grade-point average of 3.387 during the 1998-99 academic year. Eight players earned Dean's List and PSAC Scholar-Athlete honors while leading the Indians to a 26-6 record and an NCAA East Region championship: 1999 seniors **Molly Carr** and **Theresa Kabala**, current seniors **Megan Smith** and **Jodi Frederick**, juniors **Megan Woodall**, **Carrie Maitland**, and **Beth McDonald**, and sophomore **Melanie Karas**. Coach **Sandy Thomas** had guided IUP to a 9-0 record and a No. 9 ranking in the USA Today/WBCA Division II poll as IUP Magazine went to press. In other basketball news, **Angie Potthoff**, who plays for the WNBA Minnesota Lynx, joined the coaching staff as a grad assistant.

Infielder **Bob Gandolfo '99**, who led the PSAC in batting last spring with a .419 average, signed a contract with the Seattle Mariners. He will likely be assigned to one of the organization's Class A or Class AA farm clubs. Former IUP All-American and head coach (1994-96)

Kevin McMullan '90—like Gandolfo a native of Dumont, N.J.—is also on the move. McMullan left St. John's University, where he was an assistant coach, to take a similar position at East Carolina.

Sara Raschiatore won the PSAC cross country title and later earned All-America honors by placing seventeenth at the Division II national meet in Joplin, Mo. Raschiatore, who was voted the PSAC Rookie of the Year, is the first freshman to reign as PSAC women's champion. "I really wasn't expecting to do as well as I did," she said.

Senior midfielder **Denise Lazor** was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-Northeast Region first team and joined senior defender **Sarah Anschutz** as a PSAC first-team selection. Lazor scored eight goals to share the IUP lead with senior forward **Jessica Dominguez**, who paced the Indians (9-8-1) in points, with twenty-two.

The IUP swimming teams, coached by **Matt Tallman**, feature an increased international presence this season with the addition of New Zealand's **Ashley Honey** to the men's squad and **Natasha Legarda** of the Philippines to the women's. They joined seven-time All-American **Petra Adamkova**, a native of the Czech Republic. At press time, Adamkova was ranked No. 1 nationally in the 50- and 100-meter freestyle.

An influx of foreigners has also bolstered the IUP club rugby team, which was already loaded with top-notch players such as two-time All-American **Brian Taylor**. **Ben Graham** of Australia, **Richard Kanda** of Kenya, **Daan vanden Berg** of

Name Droppers

By Bob Fulton

South Africa, and **Chris Johnson** and **Sadiq Mohammed** of England joined the program in 1999. IUP whipped top-ranked Indiana 33-8 to claim the Midwest Rugby Union crown and cap a perfect fall season. "Winning the Midwest championship was our ultimate goal for the fall," said coach **Larry Bouma**. "Finishing 10-0 wasn't even a concern. But we're all glad it worked that way." Fifth-ranked IUP will serve as host for one of the four Division I regionals this spring that determine the national semifinalists. 🐾

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day, she took a streetcar from Indiana, walked a half-mile to the school, set up the classroom, and built a fire in the stove. In the thirties, after her mother had died, she took up residence in Black Lick and lived there until 1987. Except for substituting, she says she "never got out of first grade," teaching in the schools of Center Township and Homer City.

In her first year at Graceton, Miss Yuckenberg had fifty-five children in first grade. It got worse. At one time, for several months, the rapid influx of miners to the area meant she had 110 children—in two shifts. Some spoke no English.

They learned English, and they learned a lot more. And, they never forgot Miss Yuckenberg.

A few years ago, a former student named Vernon Edwards came to see Miss Yuckenberg. He was clutching a bedraggled paper Santa Claus. "You helped me make this fifty-eight years ago," he said, "and now I want you to help me fix it." The two set to work, and soon Santa was as good as new. (Happily for those of us lucky enough to know her, Miss Yuckenberg is, too.) 🐾

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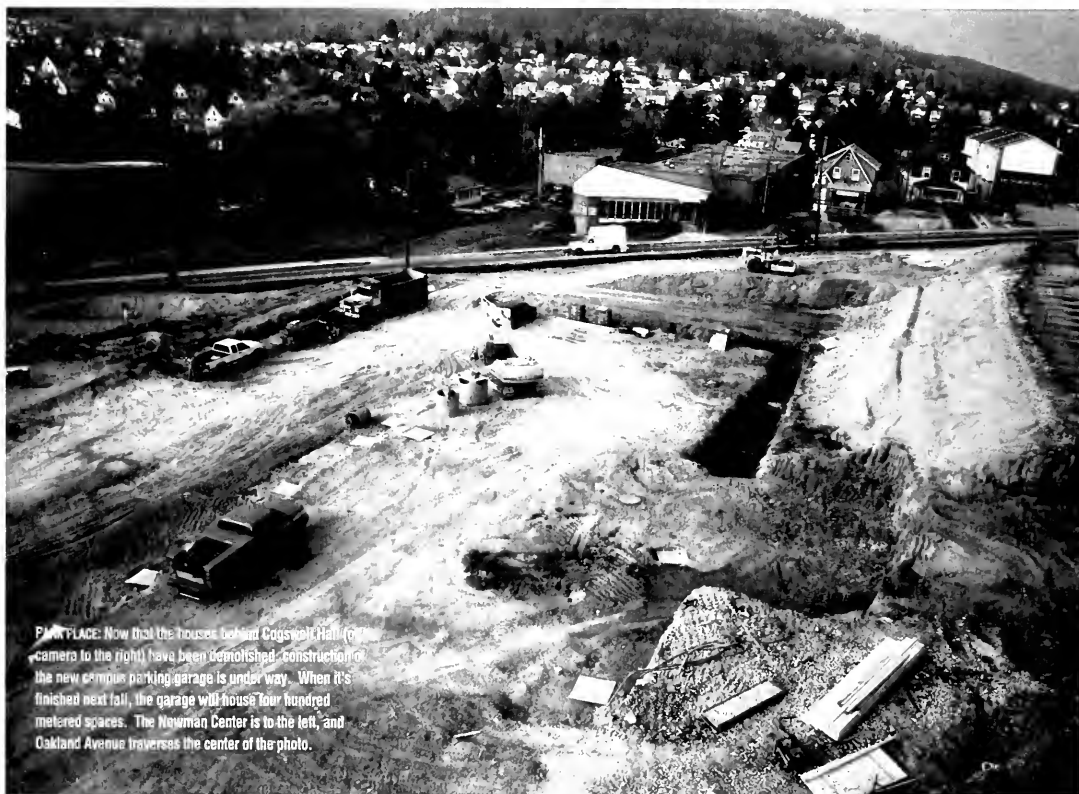
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